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MINUTES.

The General Association of Massachusetts convened in the Congregational Meeting-house, at Wrentham, June 24th, 1851, at 5 o'clock, P. M. The delegates were called to order by the Rev. Horace James, pastor of the Church, and Rev. Emerson Davis, D. D., was chosen Scribe, *pro tem.*

Delegates Present.

The following persons presented certificates of their election as delegates from the District Associations, viz:

Andover Association,	Rev. Willard Child, D. D., Rev. William T. Briggs.
Berkshire Association,	Rev. J. W. Turner, Rev. Francis Norwood.
Brewster Association,	Rev. E. W. Noble, Rev. Richard Tolman.
Bridgewater Association,	Rev. J. R. Bragg, Rev. David Brigham.
Brookfield Association,	Rev. Jason Morse.
Essex North Association,	Rev. D. T. Fisk.
Essex South Association,	Rev. Robert Crowell, D. D., Rev. James Aiken.
Franklin Association,	Rev. Willard Jones, Rev. James H. Merrill.

Hampshire East Asso.	Rev. R. H. Seeley, Rev. Hubbard Beebee.
Hampshire West Asso.	Rev. C. J. Hinsdale, Rev. A. C. Pierce.
Hampshire Association,	Rev. Joseph B. Baldwin.
Hampshire East Asso.	Rev. George Cook.
Harmony Association,	Rev. David Holman, Rev. Michael Burdett.
Mendon Association,	Rev. Mortimer Blake, Rev. Wm. Barnes.
Middlesex South Asso.	Rev. B. G. Northrup.
Middlesex Union Asso.	Rev. C. W. Wood, Rev. C. Packard.
Norfolk Association,	Rev. J. W. Ward, Rev. Abel G. Duncan.
Old Colony Association,	Rev. S. B. Goodenow, Rev. A. Eldridge.
Pilgrim Association,	Rev. C. S. Porter.
Salem Association,	Rev. S. M. Worcester, D. D., Rev. George T. Dole.
Suffolk North Asso.	Rev. Wm. A. Stearns, Rev. W. S. Leavitt.
Suffolk South Asso.	Rev. Wm. C. Foster.
Taunton Association,	Rev. Constantine Blodgett, Rev. Jonathan Crane.
Vineyard Sound Asso.	Rev. H. B. Hooker.
Woburn Association,	Rev. Harrison G. Park, Rev. Alfred Emerson.
Worcester Central Asso.	Rev. W. A. Houghton, Rev. Henry Adams.
Worcester North Asso.	Rev. D. B. Bradford, Rev. R. Manning Chipman.
Mass. Home Miss. Society,	Rev. Joseph S. Clark.

Ex-Officio Members.

Rev. Emerson Davis, D. D., Secretary; and Rev. Horace James, Pastor of the Church in Wrentham.

Delegates from Corresponding Bodies.

The following individuals appeared as delegates from Corresponding Bodies, viz:

General Association of Connecticut,—Rev. Wm. Clift.

Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island,—Rev. Wm. J. Breed.

General Association of Iowa,—Rev. Harvey Adams.

Congregational Union of Canada East,—Rev. E. J. Sherrill, Rev. A. C. Geikie.

Presbyterian and Congregational Convention of Wisconsin,—Rev. M. Montague.

General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, last met at St. Louis,—Rev. I. O. Fillmore.

General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, last met at Utica,—Rev. Ransom Hawley, Rev. B. W. Chidlaw.

Honorary Members.

Last delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, last met at Utica,—Rev. Francis Horton.

Last delegate to the General Association of New Hampshire,—Rev. E. Maltby.

Last delegate to the Congregational Union of Canada East,—Rev. D. Sandford.

Rev. A. Geikie, of Canada West; Rev. E. C. Pritchett, of Rhode Island; Rev. S. Storrs Howe, of Iowa; and Rev. E. P. Marvin, of Michigan.

Organization.

Rev. Constantine Blodgett was chosen Moderator; Rev. Smith B. Goodenow, Scribe; and Rev. C. S. Porter, Assistant Scribe.

The Rules and By-Laws of the Association were read, and prayer was offered by the Moderator.

Committees.

The following Committees were chosen, viz:

On Elections,—Rev. Messrs. Child, Stearns, and Cook.

Of Arrangements,—Rev. Messrs. James, Crane, and Davis

On Nominations,—Rev. Messrs. Ward, Tolman, and Bradford.

On Accounts,—Rev. Messrs. Hinsdale and Horton.

Of Publication,—Rev. Messrs. Clark, Stearns, and Foster.

To prepare a Narrative of the State of Religion,—Rev. Messrs. Eldridge, Foster, Packard, Clift, and Adams.

Voted, That the morning sessions of this Body commence at 8 o'clock, the afternoon sessions at 2 o'clock, and the evening sessions at 7¾ o'clock.

The Committee of Arrangements reported in part.

After uniting in prayer with Rev. Mr. McClure of Malden, the Association adjourned till 8 o'clock on Wednesday morning.

In the evening, the Association listened to a sermon by Rev. Dr. Child, from Luke xix. 22.

Wednesday morning. A prayer-meeting was held at 6 o'clock, according to previous arrangement in Association.

At 8 o'clock, the Association came to order. The roll was called, prayer was offered by the Moderator, and the minutes were read.

New Associations.

Upon recommendation of the Committee of Arrangements,—

Voted, That the Bridgewater Association, and the Salem Association, be received into regular connection with the General Association, by the admission of their delegates to full membership in this body.

Voted, That the names of these two new Associations be inserted upon the lists of rotation for Associational sermon and place of meeting, immediately before the names of the Associations which designated the preacher and received the meeting the present year.

Reports of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies.

Rev. Erastus Maltby reported his attendance at the last meeting of the General Association of New Hampshire.

Rev. Francis Horton reported his attendance at the last meeting of the Presbyterian General Assembly, at Utica.

Rev. David Sandford reported his attendance at the last meeting of the Congregational Union of Canada East.

A committee, consisting of the Rev. Messrs. Hooker, Duncan, Brigham, Merrill, and Chipman, was appointed to nominate the delegates to Corresponding Bodies.

Publication of the Minutes.

Voted, That the Committee of Publication be instructed to appoint the Agent, for printing and distributing the Minutes of this Body for 1851, and to publish his name in connection with those Minutes.

Place of next Meeting.

Voted, That our next meeting be held with the First Church in Lowell, in Andover Association.

Preacher for next Year.

Voted, That the Essex South Association appoint the preacher for the next year.

Pastoral Address.

Voted, That Messrs. Ide, Tucker, and Sandford, of Mendon Association, be appointed to prepare the Pastoral Letter for 1852.

The Rev. J. W. Turner, of Great Barrington, read the Pastoral Address; which was referred to a committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs. Stearns, Child, Emerson, and Turner.

At 10 *o'clock*, after a recess of ten minutes, the Association engaged in devotional exercises for half an hour.

Preacher on Home Missions.

Rev. C. S. Porter, of Plymouth, was appointed the next preacher on Home Missions,—and Rev. Prof. Park, D. D., of Andover, his substitute.

By permission, Rev. Dr. Hewitt, of Connecticut, addressed the Association for a few minutes.

History of the Association.

An overture was received from the Norfolk Association, suggesting the propriety of having a brief history of the Association published with its Minutes. This was referred to a committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs. Clark, Worcester, Davis, and Chipman.

Voted, That the two Presbyterian General Assemblies, be distinguished in our Minutes by the respective places of their last meeting.

Ordination by Associations.

An overture was received from the Berkshire Association, containing the following questions:

"1. Have the Associations of Massachusetts the power to ordain Missionaries and Evangelists?

"2. How far and to what extent, have our Associations been in the habit of so ordaining?"

In accordance with a suggestion in the overture, it was *Voted*, That the subject be referred to the District Associations, to report next year.

Expenses of Councils.

An overture was received from the Andover Association, requesting the adoption of a recommendation, that in all cases hereafter, the parties calling a council, or the several churches sending to it, agree to pay the expenses of the pastors and delegates who attend.

Voted, That the subject be referred to the District Associations, to report next year.

Delegates to Corresponding Bodies.

Upon report of the committee, with amendments, the delegates to Corresponding Bodies were appointed, as follows:

To the Presbyterian General Assembly, next meeting in Washington, D. C., 3d Tuesday of May, 1852:

Rev. E. Carpenter, } Primaries.
Rev. C. Packard, }
Rev. George Cooke, } Substitutes.
Rev. Elias Wells, }

To the Presbyterian General Assembly, next meeting in Charleston, S. C., 3d Tuesday of May, 1852:

Rev. A. P. Marvin, } Primaries.
Rev. Samuel Harris, }
Rev. W. A. Stearns, } Substitutes.
Rev. W. I. Buddington, }

To the General Association of Connecticut, next meeting in Bethel, 3d Tuesday of June, 1852:

Rev. T. Snell, D. D., } Primaries.
Rev. P. Couch, }
Rev. I. P. Terry, } Substitutes.
Rev. S. W. Hanks, }

To the General Association of Vermont, next meeting in Castleton, 3d Tuesday of June, 1852:

Rev. H. B. Hooker, } Primaries.
Rev. D. B. Bradford, }
Rev. C. Hitchcock, D. D., } Substitutes.
Rev. J. Bates, D. D., }

To the General Association of New Hampshire, next meeting in Acworth, last Tuesday of August, 1851:

Rev. S. S. N. Greely, } Primaries.
Rev. L. S. Parker, }
Rev. W. H. Hayward, } Substitutes.
Rev. D. Brigham, }

To the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island, next meeting in Little Compton, 2d Tuesdey of June, 1852:

Rev. Alvan Cobb, } Primaries.
Rev. L. Packard, }
Rev. H. Bardwell, } Substitutes.
Rev. H. James, }

To the General Conference of Maine, next meeting in Searsport, 4th Tuesday of June, 1852:

Rev. A. Swazey, } Primaries.
Rev. D. T. Kimball, }
Rev. C. Blodget, } Substitutes.
Rev. J. H. Merrill, }

To the General Association of New York, next meeting in Brooklyn, 1st Wednesday of September, 1851:

Rev. H. Neill, } Primaries.
Rev. D. N. Coburn, }
Rev. O. G. Hubbard, } Substitutes.
Rev. A. Foster, }

To the General Association of Michigan, next meeting in Jackson, 4th Tuesday of May, 1852:

Rev. E. W. Noble, } Primaries.
Rev. J. C. Webster, }
Rev. C. S. Porter, } Substitutes.
Rev. D. Coggin, }

To the Presbyterian and Congregational Convention of Wisconsin, next meeting in Mineral Point, 1st Thursday of October, 1851:

Rev. W. Bates, Primary.
Rev. J. S. Clark, Substitute.

To the General Association of Illinois, next meeting in ———, 3d Thursday of May, 1852:

Rev. E. Beecher, D. D., Primary.
Rev. J. Nelson, D. D., Substitute.

To the General Association of Iowa, next meeting in Muscatine, 1st Thursday of June, 1852:

Rev. J. Todd, D. D., Primary.
Rev. E. Alden, Substitute.

To the General Association of Oregon, next meeting in ———, 3d Tuesday of September, 1852:

Rev. D. Andrews, Primary.
Rev. E. N. Kirk, Substitute.

To the Congregational Union of Canada East, next meeting in Montreal, 1st Tuesday of September, 1851:

Rev. G. W. Blagden, D. D., } Primaries.
Rev. A. Blanchard, }
Rev. W. Child, D. D., } Substitutes.
Rev. G. W. Bourne, }

To the Congregational Union of England and Wales:

Rev. A. Lawrence, Primary.
Rev. E. Burgess, D. D., Substitute.

Charitable Collections.

Rev. Mr. Stearns offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed, to inquire, and report next year, whether any, and, if so, what measures can be devised, to secure larger and more general contributions from our churches, to the several objects of benevolence approved by this body,—and at the same time diminish the expense of agency in collecting the aforesaid contributions.

Rev. Messrs. W. A. Stearns, of Cambridgeport, E. Maltby, of Taunton,—R. S. Storrs, D. D., of Braintree, S. Sweetser, of Worcester, and A. L. Stone, of Boston, were appointed that Committee.

Slavery and Law.

A memorial was received from the Vineyard Sound Association, on the subject of Slavery, requesting the action of this body in reference to the same. Also, a request from a member of Assóciation, that the resolutions of the General Association of Connecticut, at its late meeting, on the subject of Human and Divine Law, be adopted by this body.

Voted, That the memorial and resolutions be referred to a select committee.

Rev. Messrs. Packard, Fisk, and Brigham, having been designated by the Committee on Nominations for the purpose, were elected.

Adjourned till 2 o'clock.

At 2 o'clock, the Association re-assembled, and, after uniting in prayer with Rev. Mr. Montague, listened to reports on the state of religion in the several District Associations of this Commonwealth; also, from the States of Rhode Island, Connecticut, and Iowa, and from the General Assembly, last met at St. Louis.

Adjourned till 7¾ o'clock.

At 7¾ o'clock, the Association listened to a Sermon on Home Missions, by the Rev. R. McEwen of Enfield, from Ex. xxxiii. 14; after which a collection was taken up, amounting to $30 08.

Adjourned till Thursday, 8 A. M.

Thursday morning. A prayer-meeting was held at 6 o'clock.

At 8 o'clock, the Association came to order. The roll was called, prayer was offered by the Moderator, and the minutes were read.

At 9 o'clock, the Association listened to reports from Wisconsin, and Canada East, and from the General Assembly, last met at Utica.

At 10 o'clock, after a recess of five minutes, the Association engaged in devotional exercises for half an hour.

Addresses in behalf of Benevolent Societies, etc.

Rev. B. W. Chidlaw, addressed the Association in behalf of the American Sunday School Union.

Rev. S. S. Howe, spoke in regard to a Presbytery in Iowa.

Mr. Uhlfelder, spoke in behalf of the Society for the amelioration of the condition of the Jews.

Rev. A. Geikie, spoke in regard to religious interests in Canada West.

Rev. S. C. Damon, spoke in behalf of religious interest in the Sandwich Islands, Oregon, and California.

Doctrinal Tracts and Books.

Rev. S. Harding, addressed the Association in behalf of the Doctrinal Tract and Book Society. Whereupon, it was

Resolved, That the objects of the Doctrinal Tract and Book Society, in publishing the standard works of the Congregational fathers, has the cordial approbation of the Association, and we warmly commend it to the consideration and support of the churches.

Education Society.

Rev. W. A. Stearns, spoke in behalf of the American Education Society. Whereupon, it was

Resolved, That we rejoice in the present prosperity and prospects of the American Education Society, and, considering its vital importance to the church, we commend it as an enterprise, which ought to be more generally and generously sustained.

Sabbath Schools.

Rev. W. A. Stearns, spoke also in behalf of the Massachusetts Sabbath School Society. Whereupon, it was

Resolved, That we approve of the efforts of the Massachusetts Sabbath School Society, especially in sending Sabbath School Libraries to the West,—and we would recommend that our Sabbath Schools take collections for this object.

History of the Association.

The Committee on the History of the Association, and the Committee on the Pastoral Address, reported. Whereupon, it was

Voted, That the printing of the Pastoral Address this year be omitted, and that the Secretary of the General Association be requested to prepare for publication with the Minutes of this year, a sketch of the origin, objects, and operations of this Body.

Assessment.

The Committee on Accounts reported; and upon their recommendation, it was

Voted, That an assessment of twenty-five cents be laid upon each member of the District Associations, for the coming year.

Narrative for the Year.

Rev. Mr. Eldridge, in behalf of the Committee on the Narrative of the State of Religion, made a report, which, was adopted.

Slavery and Law.

The Committee appointed on the subject of Slavery, and the relations of Human and Divine Law, reported; and their report was adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That we hereby adopt the resolutions recently passed by the General Association of Connecticut, with slight modifications, viz.

Whereas recent events have directed the attention of our fellow citizens to the relation of divine to human laws, and the duties of Christians in cases where conflicts arise between them; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That to God, as the supreme lawgiver, our unconditional submission is due, and that no law in conflict with the divine law is binding upon us.

2. That human government is ordained of God, and is designed to be the expression of his will, and therefore, as a general rule, binds the conscience of the citizen to obedience.

3. That in those cases where, through human ignorance or wickedness, the law of man conflicts with the law of God, the latter is to be obeyed; and that each individual must decide for himself, whether or not there is such a conflict, under his responsibility to God and to human government.

Upon the memorial from Vineyard Sound Association, it was

Resolved, That we re-affirm the sentiments on the general subject of Slavery, expressed by this General Association at their session June, 1845. [See Historical Sketch.]

Adjourned to 2 o'clock.

At 2 o'clock, the Sermon before the Lord's Supper, was preached by Rev. H. B. Hooker, from 1 Thess. iii. 7, and the ordinance was administered by Rev. Messrs. W. A. Stearns and J. O. Fillmore.

Resolved, That the thanks of this General Association, be presented to Rev. Horace James and his congregation, for the use of their meeting-house during the present session, and for their christian hospitality; and to the Choir of Singers, for their acceptable services.

Mr. James was requested to communicate this vote to his people.

The foregoing Minutes were adopted, a Psalm was sung, and prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Pierce, and the Association adjourned.

CONSTANTINE BLODGETT, *Moderator.*
SMITH B. GOODENOW, *Scribe.*
CHARLES S. PORTER, *Assistant Scribe.*

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

It will be impossible to give, in the space devoted to this "narrative," any thing more than the most brief and sketchy outline of the state of the churches throughout the Commonwealth.

Without prelude, therefore, allow your Committee to submit, that the general condition of our Zion is one of growing prosperity. The district reports furnish evidence of marked progress in the various elements of external strength and success. The past year has witnessed the erection of an unusual number of new church edifices, and the enlargement or improvement of others. And it is to be observed, in these efforts to make room for inward and spiritual extension, that just ideas of commodiousness, architectural symmetry, and tasteful decoration even, are gaining influence upon the christian community.

The Pastoral relation has been less disturbed than is too often the case, and is manifestly growing in permanency. While the actual number of ministers within the State is no greater, and probably less than at the beginning of 1850, the proportion of pastors is increased, and the churches are more generally supplied.

But it here becomes our painful duty, to record the removal from among us, by death, to their reward in heaven, of several highly useful ministers of Christ. Among the number, prominent for years, experience, and wisdom, the Rev. Mr. Fiske, of the Mendon Association, has been gathered to his fathers during the year, like a shock of corn fully ripe. We had hoped to meet him, in this convocation, to be holden at the scene of his protracted labors. But the will of the Lord be done.

A considerable number of new churches have been organized within our limits, under favorable auspices, in course of the last year. And encouraging accounts of progress are furnished us from those of comparatively recent establishment, together with the notice of but a solitary failure. It is in this connection a significant fact, that occasion has arisen for the formation of two new District Associations, which present themselves to this body at the existing session for the first time.

It is grateful also to notice how the benevolent spirit of the churches is keeping pace with the growing prosperity which the Master bestows. Much is required of those to whom much is given; and almost if not quite every District Association can report of itself an increase of charitable contributions over previous years. And especially is it gratifying to perceive a revival of interest, at this the right day and hour, in that benevolent institution, which would aid men of purpose and faith to the gospel ministry. May it be taken back to the cordial approbation of the churches, and assisted into all the great good of the days of Cornelius.

Sabbath school instruction is becoming more and more important in the estimation of the christian community. And, although the fear will arise that some make it an excuse for abandoning that parental instruction which our fathers employed so effectually, no right-minded Christian can fail to rejoice in the unfaltering and increasing zeal with which this means of grace—the nursery of the church—is fostered throughout the State. Not a few of the revivals reported, began in the Sabbath schools and among the young.

We must not fail to notice a progress in the spirit and attitude with which the churches are taking up the moral movements of the age. The experience of the last year contains evidence of increased philanthropy, wisdom, and firmness, on their part, in this regard. A few years ago how could they have endured so powerful an agency for agitation as this daring fugitive law. It would have rent some of them in sunder, and filled many more with internal dissension. But no such sad fact, or the slightest approximation thereto, is spoken of in any one of all the district reports. Here is progress, and that of a high order. Reflection has brought these christian bodies to rest respectively and collectively, upon the harmonious platform

of disapproving the law, on the one hand, and disapproving overt opposition to the law on the other hand; upon the firm basis of general agreement, as to the duty of acting conscientiously towards all laws, and of correcting the bad ones in the most appropriate manner.

In connection with the matter of moral reform, should it not be regarded, brethren, as a subject of gratulation and of significant prognostication, that so much of the philanthropic—the practically good element, is being resumed by us from heretical hands and employment: that while we hold fast to "the faith," we are learning of them, if you please, not to leave "the works" undone? Is not the increase of our christian zeal, for the sake of Christ, in the cause of the poor, the naked, the hungry, the sick, the imprisoned, the oppressed, taking wind from the sail and speed from the keel of sham Christianity.

But the gloomy part of this narrative, though it be almost the only thing of that character, which the district reports present, must not be overlooked and should not be forgotten. The state of the temperance cause, with some local exceptions, is sorrowful in the extreme. Many Associations have to confess a relapse of interest and a retrograde movement. Few have barely held the ground previously gained, and none have gone forward except the Barnstable Association. To the Sons of Cape Cod all honor is due for the noble stand taken, and the actual progress made upon this subject. May the time soon come in all our maritime towns and along all the borders of the sea, as well as inland, when the sources of intemperance shall be dried up forever.

But the main feature of the report we submit, has thus far only been alluded to. It is the very general and profitable seasons of revival, experienced during the year. Our churches have been blessed, in unusual numbers and to an uncommon degree, with a special out-pouring of divine grace. The Holy Spirit has been abroad over the length and breadth of the State, quickening the life of Christians and converting sinners unto God. It would seem that no region of any considerable extent has been left unvisited by his precious influences. The Associations come up to this annual assemblage bending under their sheaves. With scarce an exception, their hearts and lips are full of what He hath done for them. This is the work of the Lord and it is marvellous in our eyes. In no year, among many past,

have so many been gathered into His visible kingdom; and in no one of them, unless it be the last past, has the grace of God, which bringeth conversion and salvation, been so powerfully and generally manifest among the churches. Some instances are reported, where the arm of the Lord was most signally revealed in the power, pungency, and thoroughness of the work. Our Colleges, High Schools, and Female Seminaries have been largely blessed. Thus numbers of young men and young women are newly enlisted on the side of Christ, who will exert great influence from commanding stations at home and abroad upon the church and the world. But a peculiar law of the divine operations for the last year, is the very great number of churches—the most of them feeble, languishing ones—which have been greatly refreshed.

It is also a marked and favorable characteristic of the revival reports, that no mention is made in any of them of extraneous aid, or of specially exciting means and agencies. We are left to gather the satisfactory inference, that in all or most instances, the ordinary means have been blessed; that the word of God, fairly unfolded and faithfully applied to the consciences of the people, in stated pastoral ministrations, has been signally owned and honored.

It is another most encouraging trait in the revivals of the year, as gathered from the returns, that in some happy instances, the presence of the Spirit has been continually experienced. There was no relapse into coldness and stupidity. The work went on, quietly, but without cessation, and is now in progress.

Could these two conditions of healthy and steady growth which have last been referred to, of revivals continuous, and revivals under regular pastoral ministrations—so naturally connected—become generally prevalent over the State, over our land, and over all christendom, that were a blessed consummation.

The earliest dawn of such a state of things among us, is therefore to be welcomed as a harbinger of good. Let us joyfully hail it, as another indication that the time is coming when the grace of God shall have free course to run and be glorified—as a new morning-streak to usher in the clear day of promise and hope, when the knowledge of the Lord shall fill the world as the waters do the sea, and His brightness shall go forth as the sun, and His salvation as a lamp that burneth.

HISTORICAL SKETCH OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF MASSACHUSETTS.

The disconnected state of the District Associations in Massachusetts, the little acquaintance the ministers had with each other, and the hope that by drawing the bonds of union closer, the cause of truth might be better promoted, suggested the expediency of a General Association.

Delegates from eight District Associations,—Berkshire, Mountain, Hampshire North and South, and Hampshire North East, Brookfield, Westminster, and Mendon,—met at Northampton, July 1802. They agreed that it was expedient to form such an Association, and recommended as the basis of their union an acknowledgment of the doctrines of Christianity as *expressed* in the Assembly's Catechism. They agreed that each District Association should send two delegates, who should meet and organize; and that the first meeting should be holden the next year.

It was also agreed by the Convention, that the objects to be kept in view, should be to promote brotherly intercourse and harmony, and their mutual assistance, animation and usefulness, as ministers of Christ; to obtain religious information relative to the state of their churches, of the churches in this land and throughout the world, and to co-operate with one another, and with similar institutions, in building up the cause of truth and holiness.

The first meeting of the body was holden at Northampton, June 29, 1803, to which Berkshire, Mountain, Hampshire North, Brookfield, and Westminster Associations sent delegates.

In 1838, the Mountain Association was disbanded, and its members united with others. In 1808, Hampshire North became two—Hampshire North and Central; and in 1813,

Hampshire North was called Franklin. In 1843, Hampshire Central became two—Hampshire and Hampshire East. In 1821, Worcester North took the place of Westminster.

In 1807, Worcester South and Essex Middle sent delegates to General Association. The former in 1826 was called Harmony, and the latter about 1834 took the name of Essex North.

In 1808, Haverhill Association was first represented in this body; in 1835, its members were distributed among neighboring Associations.

In 1810, Hampshire South, afterwards Hampden, and Salem and Vicinity sent delegates to the General Association. In 1841, the latter, in the published Minutes, took the name of Essex South. In 1844, Hampden became Hampden East and Hampden West.

In 1811, Union Association sent delegates. This was composed of ministers and churches in and about Boston; it became extinct about 1823.

In 1820, Old Colony Association first sent delegates; and in 1822, Barnstable, the place of which was supplied by Brewster in 1836.

In 1823, Andover and Suffolk Associations were first represented in this body, and in 1828 the latter became Suffolk North and Suffolk South.

In 1825, Worcester Central was first represented, and in 1827 Middlesex Union and Taunton; in 1830, Middlesex South and Pilgrim Associations; in 1835, Woburn; in 1837, Vineyard Sound; in 1841, Mendon; and in 1851, Bridgewater and Salem—the latter of which was formed out of Essex South.

These dates do not specify the time when the Associations were formed, nor the precise year in which they assumed the present name, but the year when under that name they were first represented in the General Association.

Two inquiries will be made by the reader; (1.) Why was not the General Association of Massachusetts formed at an earlier period? One reason was, the "Convention," so long as the Congregational ministers were all of one denomination, was in part a substitute for it. (2.) Why did not all the Associations that existed in 1803, and others as soon as formed, send delegates to it? There were strong prejudices against it in the minds of many.

There were in several of the Associations many ministers of liberal sentiments, and though not known as Unitarians, they opposed the organization of the General Association; some through fear of its injuring the Convention, others through fear that it would become a body of great ecclesiastical power, and interfere with the discipline, and destroy the independence of the churches, and others still opposed it, on the ground, that it might lower the standard of orthodoxy in the churches, by bringing the extremes together on a common ground. The opposition to it in some sections of the State, especially the Eastern, was very great.

It was first called the General Association of Massachusetts Proper, but when Maine became a separate State the word "proper" was omitted.

The house of the first Secretary, Rev. E. Hale, was burned in October, 1816, and with it the records of the General Association up to that date, in consequence of which the knowledge of what transpired at some of the meetings of this body is very imperfect.

Correspondence with Foreign Bodies.

1809. Delegates were this year first received from the General Associations of Connecticut and New Hampshire.

1811. From the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church.

1812. From the General Convention of Vermont.

1821. From the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island.

1835. From the General Association of New York.

1838. From the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (N. S.)

1843. From the General Association of Michigan.

1845. From the General Convention of Wisconsin and from Canada East.

1846. From the General Association of Iowa.

1847. A correspondence was opened with the Association of Oregon.

Secretaries.

Rev. Enoch Hale, elected 1804, declined re-election in 1824.

Rev. Thomas Snell, D. D., elected 1824, declined re-election in 1850.

Rev. Emerson Davis, D. D., elected 1850.

Various Acts of the Association.

Instead of quoting verbatim from the Minutes the votes and resolves of the Association on the subjects that came before them, only the subject will generally be mentioned; the reader is referred to the printed minutes for the particulars.

1810. Messrs. Adoniram Judson, Samuel Nott, Jr., Samuel J. Mills, and Samuel Newell were introduced to the meeting, and presented a paper with their names affixed to it, on the subject of missions to the heathen. The paper was referred to a committee, that reported resolutions for instituting a Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. A Board was instituted at that meeting, which organized in September.

1812. The American Board of Commissioners, having received an act of incorporation, ceased to be under the supervision of this body.

1813. A committee presented a report and a resolution in favor of the Massachusetts Society for the suppression of intemperance.

1814. A document, purporting to have been approved by delegates from several Associations at a meeting in Boston in 1705, and confirmed by the Convention in 1706, was laid before the Association, and a committee appointed to inquire into its history and report upon the subject next year. This document may be found in the Panoplist, vol. 10, page 320–8. The document pointed out some defects in church discipline and proposed a remedy. It objects to councils, and recommends instead of it the consociation system.

1815. The committee presented a long and able report, which is a document of permanent value, and may be found in the printed Minutes of this year. Its publication was followed by an attempt to introduce the consociation system.

At this meeting measures were adopted for petitioning Congress to abolish Sabbath mails.

A pastoral letter was this year first addressed to the churches, which has been continued to the present time. The subjects of these letters have generally been an exhortation to various christian duties. Sometimes a particular topic has been discussed;—as in 1816, Peace; 1817, Prevailing sins; 1831, Living so as to turn our lives to the best account for Christ; 1839, Our indebtedness to our Pilgrim fathers; 1827, Means of promoting revivals; 1840, Importance of revivals; 1841, Duties of christian parents; 1848, The training of baptized children, etc.

1816. The Consociation of Churches was discussed.

1817. A committee was appointed to consider the expediency of forming a Domestic Missionary Society for aiding feeble churches in our own State.

It was also recommended that pastors and churches use special exertions for the instruction of the young in the knowledge of the Bible.

1818. The Domestic Missionary Society of Massachusetts was formed and put under the control of the Association.

1819. Measures were taken to form an Association composed of delegates chosen by all the General Associations of New England. It was called the Committee of Union. It met in October annually, but was not long continued.

This year the statistics of the Association were first published. They consisted only of the names of the Associations, which were twelve in number, and the number of ministers in each, in all 160. The Colonization Society was commended to the churches.

1823. It was recommended to ministers not to attend *ex-parte* councils without much deliberation and obvious and urgent necessity.

1824. The plan of an African school, to educate colored teachers and preachers for Africa, was examined and recommended. The formation of Bible classes was commended, and the District Associations required in future to notice the formation and operation of them in their narratives. Wilbur's Reference Testament was examined and approved.

The subject of an annual visitation of the churches by pastors and delegates from other churches was discussed;

and also the question, What shall be done by this body to promote a more scriptural observance of the Sabbath?

1826. A resolution in favor of a visitation of the churches was adopted.

The following resolution was offered: "That an association of ministers, acting in their associated capacity, is authorized to ordain Evangelists." It was referred to a committee to report the next year. The report sustained the resolution and was adopted.

1827. The American Society for the promotion of Temperance was recommended, and it was resolved, That we will abstain from the use of distilled liquors ourselves, and discourage the use of them by others.

1828. The Domestic Missionary Society of Massachusetts was united with the Massachusetts Missionary Society, through which the Association now cares for the feeble churches of the Commonwealth. On account of this connection, two delegates from that Society are admitted to membership in this body, and a sermon annually preached before the Association on Home Missions by one previously appointed, and a collection taken in aid of the cause. The following persons have preached: In

1828, A. Hyde, D. D.
1829, L. Beecher, D. D.
1830, Freegrace Reynolds.
1831, T. Snell, D. D.
1832, J. Todd, D. D.
1833, Daniel Crosby.
1834, R. S. Storrs, D. D.
1835, L. Withington, D. D.
1836, Wm. M. Rogers.
1837, J. B. Condit.
1838, E. Burgess, D. D.
1839, H. N. Brinsmade, D. D.
1840, Samuel Backus.
1841, Cyrus Mann.
1842, T. S. Clarke.
1843, E. Maltby.
1844, B. B. Edwards, D. D.
1845, J. W. Ward.
1846, O. Fowler.
1847, H. Bushnell, D. D.
1848, E. Smalley, D. D.
1849, S. Sweetser.
1850, S. Harris.
1851, R. McEwen.

1829. It was recommended that collections be taken on or near the fourth of July for the Colonization Society.

There was a discussion and resolutions respecting our intercourse with the General Assembly, that body having complained that the rules of christian courtesy had not been observed in regard to receiving their ministers, or that we had fellowshipped some not in good standing with them.

1830. The applications from Agents to address the Association having become numerous, it was voted that a limited time should be set apart for this purpose by the Committee of Arrangements.

Resolutions were passed in regard to the observance of the Sabbath, and the supplying of the destitute with the Bible. These subjects have frequently occupied the attention of the Association in subsequent years. The importance of securing a fuller attendance at the Monthly Concert of prayer, and the means of doing it, were considered.

1831. Resolved, that the traffic in ardent spirits is inconsistent with a profession of piety.

A committee reported, on the subject of Sabbath desecration, the expediency of forming an Association, and of appointing a general agent; which was adopted.

1832. Voted to observe July 17th, as a day of fasting and prayer, that God will save us from the ravages of the Asiatic cholera.

The Colonization Society was commended as an institution that is doing much to suppress the slave trade.

1833. A committee reported on the subject of Moral Reform; which report was adopted, and the cause recommended.

It was agreed to observe the first Monday of 1834, as a day of fasting and prayer for the conversion of the world; and the last Monday in February for the conversion of young men in Colleges and Seminaries of learning.

A committee was appointed to report on the condition of "exiled churches" in this State.

It was resolved, that laws licensing the traffic in ardent spirits are morally wrong; for sin ought not to be licensed.

Resolved, also, that the use of tobacco by ministers obstructs the progress of temperance and is injurious to the cause of religion.

1834. A long series of resolutions was passed, condemning the exportation of ardent spirits to the South Sea Islands.

The subject of popery was discussed, and a committee appointed to collect information on the subject and report.

A series of resolutions on Slavery was adopted, declaring it to be opposed to the word of God and the principles of our government. The principles of the Anti-Slavery

Society were approved, so far as they do not come in conflict with the American Colonization Society.

Maternal Associations were recommended.

1835. Temperance resolutions, long and strong, were passed. Mount Holyoke Female Seminary was commended to the patronage of the liberal.

It was decided, that according to the views and principles on which this Association was formed, none but pastors are eligible to a seat in this body, or to be sent as delegates to foreign bodies. In 1839 it was voted that resident members of District Associations, whether pastors or not, are eligible to a seat in this body, and that delegates must pay the tax for them.

1836. A series of resolutions was passed relative to itinerating evangelists. [See printed Minutes.]

The Association disapproved of the practice of appointing the hour of ordination so soon after the meeting of council as not to allow time for a careful examination of the candidate.

The report of the committee in regard to exiled churches was ordered to be re-examined, so as to be sure of accuracy in its statements, and then to be published. In 1837, it was ordered that it be deposited in the archives of the Association, and kept for future use.

1837. The first Friday in September was appointed to be observed by the churches in this State as a day of fasting and prayer on account of the low state of religion and the disastrous effects of the pecuniary pressure.

1839. Resolutions were passed, disapproving of Sabbath rail-road travelling.

1841. The Association recommended the formation of Juvenile Temperance Societies, and the procuring of lectures from reformed inebriates.

A Committee was appointed to correspond with leading men at the South, on the subject of Slavery, with the hope of doing good. A report was subsequently published.

1842. Resolutions were passed in regard to Romanism in the United States. A committee was appointed to report. The report was printed.

1845. The Association expressed their abhorrence of American slavery, and declared it to be contrary to the word of God, and their conviction that so far as the Bible has the ascendancy in the conscience, Christians will separate themselves from all responsible connection with it.

The question was agitated whether the basis of our organization shall be so modified as to admit of a lay delegation.

The last Thursday in September was appointed as a day of fasting and prayer in view of the low state of religion in the churches.

1846. The Association reaffirmed their views of slavery expressed last year.

1847. Resolved, 1. That every member of the human family, bond or free, has a right to the Bible.

2. That any system, which can exist only by keeping men in ignorance and withholding from them the word of God, must be an abomination in the sight of heaven, and should be so in the sight of all men.

Another resolution commends the American Bible Society, for offering to supply the slaves with the Bible as fast as means are furnished for that object.

1847. Resolutions were adopted on peace, colonization, and in condemnation of slavery. Also a series of resolutions were presented by Dr. Hewett of Connecticut, on legislation to prevent the evils of intemperance, and adopted.

1849. A Committee reported on the subject of common school education.

1850. The delegate to the General Assembly, (O. S.), presented the instructions given him last year by this body, exhorting them to do their duty in regard to slavery. The treatment of the instructions by that body occasioned a long discussion in regard to our duty, and resulted in sending a letter instead of a delegate to that body in 1851.

1851. A delegate was received from that body.

In 1838 a historical sketch of this Association was published in the American Quarterly Register, prepared by the Secretary, Rev. T. Snell, D. D. [Vol. XI. pp. 160–170.]

Unquestionably a vast amount of good has been done by this body. There has been no subject pertaining to the intellectual, moral and spiritual welfare of mankind which it has not examined, discussed and aided. Many things have been necessarily omitted that might have been introduced into this sketch.

The following table embodies much information that will be useful to the pastors:

Year.	Places of Meet.	Moderators.	Scribes.	Preachers.
1803	Northampton,			Thomas Holt.
1804	Hardwick,	Joseph Lee,		
1805	Washington,			
1806	Hatfield,			
1807	Windsor,	Stephen West, D. D.	Samuel Austin, D. D.	J. Spalding.
1808	Worcester,	Joseph Lee,	Alvin Hyde, D. D.	A. Huntington.
1809	Newburyport,	J. Lyman, D. D.	L. Woods, D. D.	S. Austin, D. D.
1810	Bradford,	M. Cutler, LL. D.	S. Worcester, D. D.	N. Turner.
1811	Salem,	Samuel Taggart,	A. Hyde, D. D.	R. S. Storrs, Senior.
1812	Westfield,	S Austin, D. D.	P. Williston,	J. Allen.
1813	Conway,	E. Fitch, D. D.	S. Worcester, D. D.	S. Worcester, D. D.
1814	Dorchester,	J. Morse, D D.	John Keep,	T. Snell, D. D.
1815	Royalston,	J. Lyman, D. D.	James Murdock,	J. Codman, D. D.
1816	Leicester,	E. Porter, D D.	Samuel Mead,	Joseph Lee.
1817	Belchertown,	T. Packard, D. D.	William Bascom,	J. Bullard.
1818	Middlefield,	J. Lyman, D. D.	John Keep,	J. Lyman, D. D.
1819	Pittsfield,	S. Shepard, D. D.	S. E. Dwight, D. D.	J. Smith, D. D.
1820	Beverly,	T Packard, D. D.	E. Phelps, D. D.	Roswell Hawks.
1821	Haverhill,	W. Fay, D. D.	E. Cornelius, D. D.	T. Andros.
1822	Springfield,	H. Humphrey, D. D.	A. Ely, D. D.	J. H. Rice, D D.
1823	New Bedford,	S. Walker,	J. Edwards, D. D.	D D. Field, D. D.
1824	Ashfield,	O. Cobb, D. D.	B. B. Wisner, D. D.	D. L. Hunn.
1825	Boston,	E. Porter, D. D.	J. Woodbridge, D. D.	J. Nelson, D. D.
1826	Fitchburg,	J. Fiske, D. D.	W. Fay, D. D.	T. Shepard.
1827	Worcester,	S. Osgood, D. D.	E. Pond, D. D.	S. Sewall.
1828	Falmouth,	N. Perkins,	L. F. Dimmick, D D.	L. Beecher, D. D.
1829	Andover,	W. Fay, D. D.	E. Burgess, D. D.	J. Goffe.
1830	Groton,	D. D Field, D. D.	C. Hitchcock, D. D.	Isaac Braman.
1831	Taunton,	J. Codman, D. D.	D. Oliphant,	S. Osgood, D. D.
1832	Northampton,	J. Chickering,	P. Cooke, D. D.	D. Phelps, D. D.
1833	Dorchester,	J. Greenleaf,	J. P. Cleaveland, D.D	J. Vaill.
1834	Lee,	S. Shepard. D. D.	M. Badger, D. D.	S. Lee.
1835	Framingham,	S. Holmes,	W. Fay, D. D.	None.
1836	Worthington,	J. Brown, D. D.	S.M Worcester, D.D	H. Humphrey, D. D.
1837	N. Brookfield,	J. Codman, D. D.	G. W. Blagden, D.D.	H. Adams
1838	New Bedford,	L. Sheldon,	J. S. C Abbott,	E. Perkins.
1839	Plymouth,	J. Nelson, D. D.	D. Crosby,	S. Nott.
1840	Ipswich,	P. Cooke, D. D.	D. Phelps, D. D.	T. Snell, D. D.
1841	Westfield,	T. Robbins, D. D.	J. H. Towne,	A. Cobb.
1842	Westboro',	T. M. Cooley, D. D.	E. Smalley, D. D.	G. Fisher.
1843	Sunderland,	J. Bennett,	E. Maltby,	J. Bennet.
1844	Woburn,	C. Hitchcock, D. D.	C. Mann,	D. T. Kimball.
1845	Westminster,	O. Fowler,	E. Davis, D. D.	C. Rockwell.
1846	Pepperell,	J. A. Albro, D. D.	W. P. Paine,	A. Blanchard.
1847	Worcester,	A. Peters, D. D.	S. C. Jackson, D. D.	A. Peters, D. D.
1848	Chelsea,	D. Phelps, D. D.	J. S. Clark,	W. P Paine.
1849	Roxbury,	T. M. Cooley, D. D.	E. Maltby,	A. Bullard, D. D.
1850	Sandwich,	E. Davis, D. D.	P. Couch,	T. Shepard.
1851	Wrentham,	C. C. Blodget,	S. B. Goodenow,	H. B Hooker.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

General Association of Massachusetts, in account with E. DAVIS, *Treasurer.*

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June 1850.	Balance in Treasury, ...	$9 20
" 1851.	Received from the several District Associations, . .	199 75
		$208 95

Contra, Dr.

Aug. 1850.	Transportation of Assembly's Minutes and other documents, ...	$0 75	
" "	Postage, ...	25	
June, 1851.	Paid Crocker and Brewster, for printing, paper, and doing up 1,000 Minutes for 1850, and Circulars,	129 50	
	Freight on Connecticut Minutes, ...	50	
	Secretary's travelling expenses, ...	7 50	—138 50
	Balance in the Treasury,		$70 45

I have examined the Treasurer's account, and find it correctly cast, and that there is in the Treasury, $70 45. A tax of 25 cents will be sufficient to meet the expenses of next year.

CHARLES J. HINSDALE, *Com. on Accounts.*

Wrentham, June 26, 1851.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

Arranged in the Alphabetical order of the several District Associations.

N. B. The columns denoting Churches, Ministers, and date of Settlement, correspond with the facts as they were supposed to exist when the last meeting of the General Association was held, June, 1851. The number of Communicants is reported for 1st January preceding. The Admissions, Removals, and Baptisms, are designed to cover the year 1850. The Sabbath Schools and Bible Classes embrace both teachers and pupils who usually attend these exercises. In a *few* instances the number of church members has been supplied from the returns of the previous year,—though not till all reasonable efforts have failed to secure the present number.

1. ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total	Absent	P of	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Andover, South,	Oct. 17, 1711	J. L. Taylor,	July 18, 1839	109	323	432	75	4	5	9	5	9		14	1	3	300
" West,	Dec. 5, 1826	C. H. Pierce,	Oct. 9, 1850	60	130	190	35	4	1	5	1			1		5	200
" North,	Sept. 3, 1834	W. T. Briggs,	Nov. 4, 1846	14	47	61		5		5	1	1		2	2	1	120
" Theol. Sem		R. Emerson, D. D.															
Chelmsford, North,	April 27, 1824	B. F. Clark,	Aug. 1, 1839	31	50	81	19	1	2	3	2	2		4	1	1	100
Dracut, 1st Evan. ch.	1721	G. W. Thompson,	Stated supply.	27	60	87	15	3	1	4	2	3		5			60
" West,	Aug 31, 1797	B. Emerson,	June 5, 1850	31	59	90		1	5	6	3	1		4	1		125
" East,	1835	J. Merrill,	Stated supply.	11	25	36	2		1	1	1			1			60
Lawrence, 1st ch.	April 19, 1847	Vacant,		35	41	76	12	3	9	12	1	24		25	1	1	140
" Central ch.	Dec. 25, 1849	E. Whittelsey,	Stated supply.	30	31	61	9	4	32	36	2	8		10			132
Lowell, 1st ch.	June, 6, 1826	W. Child, D. D.	Oct. 1, 1845	97	607	704	447	8	9	17	4	25		29	5	3	450
" Appleton-st. c.	Dec 2, 1830	U. C. Burnap,	July, 1837	60	350	410		3	4	7	7	7		14			
" John-st. ch.	May 9, 1839	S. W. Hanks,	March 20, 1840	96	380	476		1	10	11	6	19		25	1	7	375
" Kirk-st. ch.	May 21, 1845	A Blanchard,	May 21, 1845	61	194	255		16	27	43	1	9		10	6	3	300
" High-st. ch.	1846	J. H. Towne,	Dec. 15, 1847	42	84	126											180
Methuen,	Oct. 29, 1729	J. C. Phillips,	Dec. 25, 1839	64	144	208		3	10	13	5	2		7			180
Tewksbury,	Nov. 29, 1734	J. Coggin, S. Lamson,	Oct. 22, 1806 Stated supply.	75	92	167											
Total, 17		17		843	2617	3460	614	56	116	172	41	110		151	18	24	2722

Without Pastoral Charge.—J. Edwards, D. D., Sec. Am. For. Sab. Union, Andover; M. Badger, D. D., Sec. A. H. M. Society, New York; J. Page, stated supply at Atkinson, N. H.; T. Atkinson, Isaac Hosford, City missionary, and Cyrus Mann, Teacher, Lowell.

2. BERKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot	Ad	Inf.	School.
Adams, North,	April 19, 1826	R. Crawford,	Aug. 20, 1840	61	165	226	44	72	14	86	2	9		11	44	7	140
" South,	Jan. 1, 1840	J. Jay Dana,	June 15, 1848	19	48	67	20	5	9	14					5		60
Alford,	Aug. 13, 1846	G. Hayden,	Stated supply.	8	20	28		1	3	4							40
Becket, 1st ch.	Dec 28, 1758	Vacant,		67	120	187											87
" North,	Sept. 25, 1849	J. Colburn,	Stated supply.	28	34	62		4	3	7							40
Dalton,	Feb. 16, 1785	O. M. Sears,	Sept. 29, 1847	26	54	80		3	2	5	2	1		3	1	2	125
Egremont,	Nov. 22, 1816	E. Clark,	June 24, 1851	24	53	77	11										45
Great Barrington,	Dec 28, 1743	J. W. Turner,	April 19, 1837	62	157	219		30	9	39	2	7		9	9	9	250
Hinsdale,	Dec. 17, 1795	Vacant,		71	128	199		12	8	20	1	9		10	6	4	275
Housatonic,	June, 1841	D. N. Merritt,	Stated supply.	45	89	134		25	5	30	1	8		9	15		70
Lanesboro',	March 28, 1764	M. Tupper,	May 21, 1850	23	32	55					2	3		5		1	88
Lee,	May, 25, 1780	S. D. Clark,	June 12, 1851	119	202	321	69			13	7	4		11			140
Lenox,	1769	H. Neill,	Aug. 26, 1846	78	144	222		11	3	20	9	2		11	5	4	115
Monterey,	Sept. 25, 1750	S. Howe,	July 24, 1844	34	64	98	7	7	1	8	1			1	3	1	147
New Marlboro', North	Oct. 31, 1744	C. Fitch,	Jan. 26, 1842	47	109	156		1		1	2	2	1	5	1		100
" Southfield	April 25, 1794	O. Lombard,	June 14, 1849	20	52	72	10	1	2	3						5	70
Otis,	June 5, 1810	Vacant,		29	54	83	15				3	5		8			135
Peru,	June, 1770	J Knight,	July 6, 1836	71	98	169	6	2	2	4	2	8		10	1		230
Pittsfield, 1st,	Feb. 7, 1764	J. Todd, D. D.	Feb. 16, 1842	185	427	612											375
" (colored,)	1847	S. Harrison,	Aug. 13, 1850	5	6	11	1	1	1	2							30
" South,	Nov. 12, 1850	S. Harris,	March 12, 1851	48	82	130									1		
Richmond,	1765	E. L. Clark,	Jan. 20, 1838	25	50	75			1	1	1	2		3		2	50
Sandisfield,	1756	A. Pickett.		68	180	248											175
Sheffield,	Oct. 22, 1735	J. Bradford,	Oct. 13, 1813	49	182	231		1	1	2		8	8	16		1	150
Stockbridge,	1734	A. H. Dashiel,	Dec. 11, 1850	69	143	212	45	16	2	18	6	2		8	5	14	120
" Curtisville,	Dec. 22, 1824	W. H. Phelps,	Nov. 1849	19	44	63			4	4	1	3		4			80
Washington,	1772	F. Norwood,	Sept. 1846	10	33	43		3		3	4	2		6	2		65
W. Stockbridge, Cen.	June 4, 1789	S. Bryant,	Nov. 30, 1842	33	56	89	9		1	1	2	3		5			104
" Village,	1832	Vacant,		20	35	50											
Williamstown,	1765	A. Peters, D. D.	Nov. 10, 1841	115	207	322	13	3	2	5	4	6		10	1	8	190
" South,	1837	J. A. Hazen,	Oct. 18, 1848	15	41	56	7					3		3			50
" College,	June 15, 1834	M Hopkins, D. D.															
Windsor,	1772	C. Peabody,	Stated supply.	25	51	76		1		1		1		1	1	1	150
Austerlitz,		S. Utley,	June, 1848	25	74	99											
Canaan, 4 corn., N. Y.		J. Wickes,	Dec. 6, 1848	33	69	102		3	2	5					2	4	80
New Concord, N. Y.		T. S. Brown,	Stated supply.	25	50	75											66
Total, 36		33		1601	3353	4954	257	208	75	296	52	88	9	149	102	63	3892

Without Pastoral Charge.—J. Alden, D. D., Prof. in Williams College; R. S. Cook, Secretary Am. Tract Society, New York; W. H. Tyler, Principa of Young Ladies' Institute, Pittsfield; Noah Sheldon, Stockbridge; R. Pomeroy, Otis; E. Jennings, Dalton; H. Humphrey, D. D., Pittsfield; T. A. Hall, Principal of the Academy at Lee; Bancroft Fowler, Stockbridge; S. R. Giddings, Great Barrington; Alfred A. Gilbert, Lanesboro'.

3. BREWSTER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Chatham,	June 15, 1720	E. W. Tucker,	March 25, 1846	42	123	165	19	4	1	5	5			5	1	7	200
Dennis, South,	June 16, 1807	R. Tolman,	May 2, 1849	42	85	127	4	1	6	7	2			2		1	235
Eastham,	1646	S. Bailey,	Stated supply.	10	35	45	6										70
Harwich,	Nov. 12, 1744	Vacant,		32	84	116	13										100
Orleans,	1719	Jacob White,	June, 1841	39	107	146					3	2		5			250
Provincetown,	1714	O. Myrick,	Feb. 18, 1846	9	26	35	1										60
Truro,	Nov. 1, 1711	E. W. Noble,	Dec. 26, 1849	37	72	109	4				1			1		2	130
" North,	June 25, 1840	S. J. M. Lord,	Stated supply.	7	21	28	2										100
Wellfleet,	1730	C. C. Beaman,	Dec. 2, 1846	74	127	201	2	6	2	8	3	1		4	4		235
" South,	Dec. 4, 1833	H. A. Woodman,	Stated supply.	60	86	146											155
Yarmouth,	1639	N. Cogswell,	April 24, 1822	25	75	100			1	1		2		2			112
" West,	1840	J. H. Wells,	March 5, 1851	6	43	49					1			1			46
Total, 12		11		383	884	1267	51	11	10	21	15	5		20	5	10	1663

Without Pastoral Charge.—Enoch Pratt, Brewster.

4. BRIDGEWATER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad	Inf.	School.
Bridgewater,	Oct. 17, 1821	D. Brigham,	April 23, 1845	34	67	101	6	28	9	37	3			3	17	3	146
" Scotland	July 4, 1836	S. Raymond,	Jan. 1, 1837	7	23	30						1		1		1	40
E. Bridgewater, Tr. ch	Nov. 14, 1849	B. Sandford,	April 3, 1851	15	21	36			1	1						2	70
Halifax,	1735	E. Sandford,	Stated supply.	15	30	45		3	1	4	2			2	1		80
Middleboro', 1st ch.	Dec. 26, 1694	I. W. Putnam,	Oct. 28, 1835	46	140	186		7	2	9	6	2		8	5	1	100
" North,	Feb 4, 1743	Vacant,		42	101	143					1		2	3			80
" West,	Oct. 6, 1725	J K. Bragg,	Oct. 19, 1842	58	95	153	7	35	5	40	3	6	2	11	31		120
Total, 7		6		217	477	694	13	73	18	91	15	9	4	28	57	7	636

Without Pastoral Charge.—Otis Thompson, North Abington.

5. BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Brimfield,	1725	Jason Morse,	Dec. 12, 1849	50	140	190	32	5	4	9	3	4		7	3	4	200
Brookfield,	April 15, 1756	Micah Stone, Samuel Hutchings,	March 11, 1801 Sept. 15, 1847	28	75	103	21	3	2	5	1	1		2	3	7	108
Charlton,	April, 1761	John Haven,	Stated supply.	18	77	95		3		3	4	4		8	2	1	125
Dana, (Storrsville,)	Nov. 1836	John Keep,	April 24, 1844	9	35	44	8	3	1	4	2	1		3	3	1	140
Dudley,	1732	Joshua Bates, D. D.	March 22, 1843	38	77	115	11	3	1	4	2			2	3	2	100
Hardwick,	Nov. 17, 1736	Asa Mann,	June 19, 1844	29	68	97		3		3	3	3		6	2	6	100
Holland,	Sept. 13, 1765	Vacant,		13	37	50	10		3	3	3	3		6			50
New Braintree,	April 18, 1754	John Fiske, D. D.	Oct. 26, 1796	34	91	125	20		2	2	3	2		5		3	125
North Brookfield,	May 28, 1752	Thomas Snell, D. D.	June 27, 1798	71	145	216	21	4	10	14	1	5		6	2	8	275
Oakham,	Aug. 28, 1767	James Kimball,	Dec. 25, 1832	35	172	257	39	23	10	33	4	3		7	13	13	305
Southbridge,	Sept. 16, 1801	Eber Carpenter,	Dec. 1, 1835	54	120	174	30	1	2	3	2	6		8	1	4	200
Spencer,	May 17, 1744	Levi Packard,	June 14, 1826	29	78	107	9		1	1	2	5		7		2	
Sturbridge,	Sept. 29, 1736	David R. Austin,	May 13, 1839	86	218	304	75	2		2	4	2		6	1	4	250
Ware,	May 9, 1757	David N. Coburn,	Sept. 21, 1842	46	89	135	17	3	6	9	3	5		8	2	5	140
" Village,	April 12, 1826	Nahum Gale,	June 22, 1842	77	152	229	25	10	5	15	2	11		13			265
Warren,	1743	Charles Smith,	Oct. 27, 1847	45	102	147	19	2	13	15	7	8		15	1	3	200
West Brookfield,	Oct. 1717	Vacant,		75	147	222	42	4	6	10	6	3		9		9	250
Total, 17		18		787	1823	2610	379	69	66	135	52	66		118	36	72	2833

Without Pastoral Charge.—Moses Miller and W. A. Nichols, Brookfield.

6. ESSEX NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Amesbury, Mills,	Dec. 6, 1831	R. King,	1850	70	140	210											175
" West,	May 19, 1726	A. Paine,	Sept. 7, 1848	49	131	180		4	1	5	5			5	3	1	160
" and Salisbury,	Oct. 14, 1835	J. M. Bacon,	June 25, 1851	12	41	53	9				2	1		3			70
Boxford, West,	Dec. 9, 1732	C. E. Park,	Oct. 14, 1846	19	42	61		3		8					3	4	80
Bradford, 1st ch.	Dec. 27, 1682	N. Munroe,	Feb. 10, 1836	62	132	194		2	5	7		1		1	1	3	240
" 2d ch.	Jan. 7, 1728	G. B. Perry, D. D.	Sept. 14, 1814	67	93	160											140
Georgetown,	Oct. 1732	{ Isaac Braman, J. M. Prince,	June, 7, 1797 Feb. 3, 1847	58	109	167	13	8		8	5			5	4	1	250
Haverhill, Centre,	Aug. 28, 1833	B. F. Hosford,	May 21, 1845	60	105	165	28	2	5	7	3	3	1	7		1	150
" North,	Nov. 4, 1730	David Oliphant,	Stated supply.	19	42	61	2					2		2		3	60
" East,	1743	Wales Lewis,	July 18, 1849	9	19	28	2		2	2							40
" West,	Oct. 1735	Abijah Cross,	June 18, 1831	41	80	121	7	6		6	1	4		5	6	2	135
" Union Ev. ch.	May 13, 1839	E. J. Comings,	Stated supply.	35	37	72	8		3	3	1	1		2			100
Ipswich, 1st ch.	1634	D. T. Kimball,	Oct. 8, 1806	54	154	208	11	41	5	46	3			3	18	7	160
" Linebrook,	Nov. 15, 1749	W. Holbrook,	Stated supply.	21	21	42		2	1	3						1	70
Newbury, 1st ch.	June, 1635	L. Withington, D. D.	Oct. 30, 1816	45	115	160		8		8	12		1	13		4	150
" Byfield ch.	Nov. 17, 1706	F. V. Tenney,	March 7, 1850	46	63	109		10	2	12	3			3	3		140
Newburyp't, Belleville	April, 1808	D. T. Fiske,	Aug. 18, 1847	52	105	157	9	4	5	9	3	2	1	6	2	1	135
" North ch.	Jan. 1768	L. F. Dimmick, D. D.	Dec. 8, 1819	65	290	355		20	10	30	9	6	2	17	11	5	180
" Temple-st. ch.	May 30, 1793	R. Campbell,	Oct. 12, 1837	72	159	231		59	3	62		7		7	14		
" Whitefield ch.	Jan. 1, 1850	S. J. Spaulding,	June 30, 1851	18	73	91	8	41	50	91	1			1	17	12	151
Rowley,	Dec. 3, 1639	John Pike,	Nov. 18, 1840	40	115	155		48		48	2			2	27	15	110
Salisbury, Hill,	Nov. 19, 1718	B. Sawyer,	Stated supply.	18	44	62											90
W. Newbury, 1st ch.	Oct. 26, 1698	Vacant,		15	43	52											90
" 2d ch.	Sept. 1, 1731	J. Q. A. Edgell,	Sept. 19, 1832	52	111	163	14	22	7	29	1	3		4	4	3	150
Total, 24		25		999	2264	3263	111	285	99	384	51	30	5	86	113	63	3026

7. ESSEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Danvers, 2d ch.	Jan. 25, 1713	J. D. Butler,		71	186	257		8	2	10	5	1		6		7	180
" 3d ch.	Dec. 5, 1844	James Fletcher,	June 20, 1849	22	56	78	2		7	7						7	142
Essex,	Sept. 6, 1681	R. Crowell, D. D.	Aug. 10, 1814	50	101	151	10	29		29	3		1	4	9	3	200
Gloucester, Harbor,	Nov. 17, 1829	James Aiken,	Nov. 22, 1848	23	110	133	15	7	5	12		4	1	5	3	7	120
" North,	Aug. 25, 1830	Edwin Seabury,	Stated supply.	12	23	35					2	2		4			100
" West,	March 23, 1829	Levi Wheaton,	Jan. 23, 1850	10	34	44		2	1	3	1			1	1		70
Hamilton,	Oct. 12, 1714	J. H. Mordough,	June 12, 1850	54	103	157	15	19	3	22		2	1	3	9	10	150
Ipswich, South,	Aug. 22, 1747	Daniel Fitz,	June 28, 1826	48	160	208		48	2	50	3	2		5	12	6	150
Lynnfield,		1715 U. W. Condit,	Oct. 23, 1850	7	30	37		2	1	3	4			4			75
Manchester,	Nov. 7, 1716	O. A. Taylor,	Sept. 18, 1839	77	185	262	14	5	2	7	6			6	2	9	330
Marblehead,	Oct. 13, 1684	E. A. Lawrence,	April 23, 1845	68	285	353		53	5	58	5			5			243
Middleton,	Oct. 22, 1729	J. A. Hood,	Jan. 2. 1850	58	125	183	31	52	11	63			2	2	23	17	150
Rockport,	Feb. 13, 1755	W. Gale,	May 4, 1836	133	204	337		3	3	6	1	3		4		14	360
Salem, Crombie-st.	May 3, 1832	J. M. Hoppin,	March 27, 1850	52	168	220		10	10	20	5	2		7	3	6	184
" Howard-st.	Dec. 29, 1803	M. H. Wilder,	July 10, 1849	20	74	94	17	18	7	25		4	10	14	8	6	190
" Third ch.	Feb. 15, 1775	{ B. Emerson, D. D. / J. E. Dwinell,	April 24, 1805 / Nov. 22, 1849	79	296	375		6	6	12	6	6		12		4	400
Total, 16		17		794	2140	2934	104	262	65	327	41	26	15	82	70	96	3044

Without Pastoral Charge.—David Tilton.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Ashfield,	Feb. 22, 1763	Vacant,		65	112	177	13	3		3	4	5		9	1	6	125
Bernardston,	Jan. 13, 1824	Charles Kendall,	Jan. 24, 1844	26	38	64	17	1	1	2	1	3		4	1	2	50
Buckland,	Oct. 1785	Asa B. Smith,	March 22, 1848	63	117	180	23	8	3	11		22	2	24	2	1	200
Charlemont, East,	Aug. 6, 1845	Aaron Foster,	Feb. 13, 1850	23	55	78	17	6	4	10	1			1	3	1	110
" West,	June 6, 1788	John D Smith,	June 21, 1848	43	67	110		8	10	18	2	5		7	2	1	176
Colerain,	1753	Cyrus W. Allen,	Feb. 28, 1849	13	35	48	9	4	1	5	2			2	3	5	100
Conway,	July 14, 1768	Vacant,		118	221	339	9	39	10	49	12	32		44	18	12	300
Deerfield,	June 2, 1835	Alfred E. Ives,	Sept. 5, 1849	27	56	83	1	6	2	8	1		1	2	4	2	115
" South,	June 30, 1818	Moses K. Cross,	Sept. 4, 1850	27	53	80	8	1		1	2	6		8		4	100
" Monument ch.	Jan. 25, 1848	David A. Strong,	March 21, 1849	22	40	62	1	10	7	17					2	2	100
Erving,	Sept. 19, 1832	Vacant,		6	15	21	7										35
Gill,	1793	{ Josiah W. Canning, / Edward F. Brooks,	Sept. 25, 1839 / June 25, 1851	7	32	39			1	1		2	1	3		3	99
Greenfield, 1st,	1754	A. Chandler, D. D.	Oct. 24, 1832	8	30	38					4			4			90
" 2d,	Jan. 15, 1817	George C. Partridge,	April 18, 1848	52	108	160	31	1	5	6	1	2		3		6	145
Hawley, East,	Sept. 16, 1793	Henry Seymour,	Oct. 3, 1849	33	56	89	6	3	2	5	2	3		5	2	7	150
" West,	Aug. 24, 1825	John Eastman,	Nov. 11, 1847	24	39	63	5	3	2	5	2			2	1	4	80
Heath,	April 15, 1785	Alpheus Graves,	June 18, 1851	40	87	127	22				5	12		17		2	154
Montague,	1752	James H. Merrill,	Nov. 26, 1839	44	85	129	11	5	6	11	1	4	1	6	3	4	150
New Salem, North,	Nov. 10, 1824	Vacant,		7	12	19	2										
Northfield,	Nov. 30, 1825	Vacant,		17	39	56	8										60
Orange, (Irvingsville,)	Oct. 13, 1837	Vacant,		6	7	13	3					3		3			
" North,	Aug. 16, 1843	Willard Jones,	Stated supply.	7	19	26	3	1	2	3						1	40
" South,	Sept. 23, 1846	Marshal B. Angier,	Stated supply.	15	33	48		4	4	8	1			1	3	2	175
Rowe,	April 10, 1833	Vacant,		8	16	24	3		1	1	1			1			30
Shelburne,	1770	{ T. Packard, D. D. / T. Packard, Jr.	Feb. 20, 1799 / March 12, 1828	53	86	139	9	3	1	4	2	12	1	15		4	250
" Falls,	March 6, 1850	George F. Bronson,	Feb. 19, 1851	23	34	57	8	7	3	10	2	1		3	2		110
Shutesbury,	1740	James Tisdale,	Stated supply.	46	32	78	3		1	1	3			3			60
Sunderland,	1718	Henry B. Hosford,	May 28, 1850	95	145	240	5	11	6	17	5	6		11	2	7	200
Warwick,	June 10, 1829	Roger C. Hatch,	Dec. 23, 1835	12	45	57		1		1			1	1	1	1	70
Wendell,	Nov. 30, 1774	N. S. Dickinson,	May 26, 1847	27	49	76	5	2		2	3	1		4	1	1	100
Total, 30		25		957	1763	2720	229	127	72	199	57	119	7	183	51	78	3369

Without Pastoral Charge.—Salmon Bennett, Heath; Horatio Flagg, Colerain; Samuel Ware, Shelburne; Eli Moody, and Samuel Bradford, Montague; Benjamin F. Clarke, Hawley West; John Furguson, Whately.

9. HAMPDEN EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Chicopee, 1st,	Sept. 1752	E. B. Clark,	Oct. 16, 1839	29	53	82	7	12	4	16	2	3	1	6	7		84
" 2d,	July 3, 1839	S. S. N. Greely,	Stated supply.	55	150	205		2	6	8	3	5		8	1	3	160
" 3d,	Oct. 16, 1834	G. A. Oviatt,	1850	52	105	157											145
Longmeadow,	1717	J. W. Harding,	Jan. 1, 1850	56	107	163	10	17	4	21	7	10		17	1	5	125
" East,	1831	—— Osborne,	Stated supply.	31	75	106	8										100
Ludlow, 1st ch.	1789	J. W. Tuck,	Sept. 6, 1843	67	100	167	15	3	6	9	4	2		6	3	7	209
" Jenksville,	June 6, 1847	E. B. Wright,	Stated supply.	4	8	12						5		5			50
Monson,	June 22, 1762	A. Ely, D. D. / C. B. Kittredge,	Dec. 1806 / Oct. 1846	121	212	333	70	3	2	5	3	14	1	18	1	5	250
Palmer, 1st ch.	1730	P. Moody,	Stated supply.	34	78	112	20	12	15	27	3	4		7	6	4	100
" 2d ch.	April 1, 1847	Thomas Wilson,	March 1, 1848	27	53	80	4		2	2	3	11		14		3	80
Springfield, 1st ch.	1645	S. Osgood, D. D.	Jan. 25, 1809	196	277	473		18	18	36	3	5		8		6	220
" Hill,	1833	Samuel W. Strong,	March 27, 1850	50	107	157		2	25	27		9		9		5	90
" North ch.	1846	R. H. Seely,	March 1, 1849	49	69	118	4	7	25	32	1	7		8	4	12	175
" South ch.	1842	S. G. Buckingham,	June 16, 1847	95	155	250	30	13	26	39	4	9		13	3	6	220
Wilbraham, North,	June, 1741	John Bowers,	Dec. 13, 1837	79	131	210	60	31	4	35	2	11		13	17	6	110
" South,	1784	H. Beebe,	April 19, 1848	16	61	77		18	3	21	3	4		7	2	4	110
Total, 16		17		961	1741	2702	228	138	140	278	38	99	2	139	45	66	2228

Without Pastoral Charge.—R. H. Concklin.

10. HAMPDEN WEST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Blandford,	1735	C. J. Hinsdale,	Jan. 20, 1836	39	78	117		1		1	2			2		1	120
Chester,	1765	Ira Case,	Stated supply.	26	35	61					2			2		2	35
" Factories,	Nov. 13, 1844	J. C. Strong,	Stated supply	10	18	28						1		1			35
" Village,	Aug. 26, 1846	P. K. Clark,	Stated supply.	19	30	49	6	6	10	16		3		3	4	4	65
" Littleville,	Aug. 7, 1849	J. C. Strong,	Stated supply.	9	10	19											
Granville, East,	1747	T. M. Cooley, D. D.	Feb. 3, 1796	38	83	121	38		2	2	2	1		3		1	130
" West,	1786	H. B. Smith,	July 22, 1847	25	54	79		1	4	5		3		3		5	100
Holyoke, 1st,	Dec. 4, 1799	Simeon Miller,	May 7, 1846	21	46	67	15		1	1	1	1		2		1	90
" 2d,	May, 24, 1849	Vacant,		15	17	32	15	1	14	15	1	2		3		1	90
Montgomery,	June 30, 1797	Vacant,		10	25	35											40
Southwick,	Aug. 16, 1773	Henry Cooley,	Dec. 2, 1846	21	70	91	17		1	1	2	5	2	9			75
Tolland,	1797	A. Sanderson,	Aug. 12, 1843	32	65	97		35		35	1	4		5			75
Westfield,	Aug. 16, 1679	E. Davis, D. D.	June 1, 1836	130	297	427	38	46	15	61	7	17		24	15	6	250
West Springfield,	1698	H. M. Field.	Jan. 30, 1851	81	157	238					5	3		8			100
" Agawam,	Sept. 1, 1819	Ralph Perry,	Dec. 28, 1847	47	78	125			10	10	2	1		3			100
" Feeding Hills,	Nov. 10, 1762	S. W. Barnum,	Stated supply.	32	65	97	27	5	1	6	3	1		4	3	6	40
" Agawam Falls,	Jan. 10, 1850	L. A. Field,	Stated supply.	21	12	33			1	1						2	65
Total, 17		15		576	1140	1716	156	95	59	154	28	42	2	72	22	29	1500

Without Pastoral Charge.—A. C. Pierce, Holyoke; Hervey Smith, Easthampton; Dillon Williams, New Preston, Ct.; S. W. Bailey.

11. HAMPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Chesterfield,	Oct. 30, 1764	Vacant,		16	56	72		1		1		2		2	1	1	
Cummington, 1st,	1771	James D. Chapman,	June 12, 1844	30	56	86	23				4			4	2		100
" Village,	1840	Theodore J. Clark,	Oct. 11, 1842	40	59	99	7				2	2		4			175
" West,	1840	Joseph B. Baldwin,	Sept. 1, 1841	25	56	81	5	7	5	12	5	5		10	2	7	95
East Hampton,	1789	{ Payson Williston, { Rollin S. Stone,	Aug. 13, 1789 Oct. 8, 1850	96	192	288		17	15	32	4	7		11			
Goshen,	1788	Robert Crossett,	Stated supply	47	96	143	59		4	4		1		1		3	140
Hatfield,	1670	Jared O. Knapp,	Dec 11, 1850	96	154	250	16	84	13	97	5	6		11	39	21	200
Middlefield,	1792	Edward Clarke,	Jan. 19, 1839	36	60	96			6	6	2	7	2	11		1	60
Northampton, 1st,	June 13, 1661	E. Y. Swift,	Nov. 19, 1845	194	390	584		32	9	41	7	16		23	7	6	320
" Edwards ch.	June 29, 1833	Vacant,		75	150	225											250
Norwich,	1781	John R. Miller,	May 17, 1848	63	86	149		32	5	37		2		2	8	11	150
Plainfield,	Aug. 31, 1789	H. J. Gaylord,	Oct. 6, 1847	58	125	183	10	6	1	7	7	2		9	4	4	250
Southampton,	June 8, 1743	Morris E. White,	June 20, 1832	167	210	377											
West Hampton,	Sept. 1, 1779	David Coggin,	May 11, 1842	68	105	173	9	10	3	13	3	5		8	2	3	160
Whately, 1st,	Aug. 21, 1771	J. Howard Temple,	Sept. 30, 1845	53	82	135		6	2	8	5	2		7	3	1	
" 2d,	Nov. 10, 1842	J. S. Judd,	Oct. 12, 1843	36	52	88	3	3		3	2	1		3		1	
Williamsburg,	1773	Edward W. Root,	Oct. 23, 1850	98	139	237	24				1	4		5		3	250
Worthington,	April 1, 1771	John H. Bisbee,	Dec. 19, 1838	87	138	225	24	42	3	45	2	3	1	6	12	17	275
Total, 18		17		1285	2106	3491	180	240	66	306	49	65	3	117	80	79	2425

Without Pastoral Charge.—Caleb Knight, Hatfield; William A. Hawley, Plainfield; Erastus Clapp and Solomon Lyman, Easthampton; E. B. Wright, Norwich; Wm. A. Hallock, D. D., Secretary of the American Tract Society, New York; Oliver Warner, Jr., Northampton.

12. HAMPSHIRE EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Amherst, West,	Nov. 7, 1739	A. M. Colton,	June 10, 1840	122	235	357		86	9	95	4	15		19	24	7	200
" North,	Nov. 15, 1826	George Cooke,	Jan. 16, 1839	57	93	150	4	12	2	14	3	4		7		2	180
" East,	Nov. 11, 1752	C. L. Woodworth,	Nov. 7, 1849	50	110	160	17	13	8	21	1	3	2	6	6	8	150
" South,	Oct. 14, 1824	J. L. Merrick,	Jan. 31, 1849	37	83	120	8	2	3	5	5	2		7		2	160
" College ch.	1826	E. Hitchcock, D. D.	April 15, 1845	90	22	112		33	2	35	1	9		10	9	1	
Belchertown,	1739	S. Wolcott,	Oct. 3, 1849	171	261	432	40	87	13	100	5	6		11	41	21	340
Enfield,	1790	R. McEwen,	Feb. 16, 1842	144	226	370	44	2	1	3	3			3	1	7	300
Granby,	1762	James Bates,	April 29, 1840	106	189	295	37	2	4	6	4	11	1	16		7	250
Greenwich,	1749	E. P. Blodget,	July 5, 1843	38	86	124		1	2	3	2	4		6	1	1	125
Hadley, 1st par.	1659	R. Ayres,	Jan. 12, 1848	88	152	240		18	4	22	4	3		7	6	4	250
" 2d par.	Oct. 26, 1831	W. H. Beaman,	Sept. 15, 1841	35	82	117	6	13	3	16	2	4	1	7	2	5	115
" 3d par.	1841	J. Woodbridge, D. D.	Feb. 16, 1842	43	63	106		23		23	5	4		9	5	5	100
South Hadley, 1st par.	1733	Vacant,		77	154	231		7	7	14	2	6		8	2	7	150
" 2d par.	1824	Vacant,		45	71	116	27										100
Leverett,	1784	David Eastman,	Feb. 12, 1840	37	70	107	14	26		26	2	3		5	14	3	134
Pelham,	Oct. 25, 1837	Vacant,		5	33	38	10										125
Prescott,	Jan. 15, 1823	Charles Galpin,	Stated supply.	12	36	48	15					1		1			50
Total, 17	14			1157	1966	3123	222	525	58	383	43	75	4	122	111	80	2729

Without Pastoral Charge.—J. W. Curtis, Hadley; G. H. Patrick, John Sanford, and G. Nash, Mt. Pleasant School, Amherst.

13. HARMONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	Dth	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Blackstone,	April 15, 1841	Michael Burdett,	May 5, 1841	20	48	68	15	2	3	5	1	6		7		2	150
" Millville,	1836	Vacant,															
Douglass,	Nov. 11, 1747	David Holman,	Stated supply	14	37	51	20	1	7	8	2			2	1	6	65
" East,	June 12, 1834	Chauncey D. Rice,	Dec. 7, 1842	39	86	125	12		1	1	1	7		8		3	150
Grafton,	Dec. 28, 1831	Thomas C. Biscoe,	July 18, 1838	107	185	292	40	31	5	36	4	14		18	17	8	300
Millbury, 1st ch.	Sept. 10, 1847	N. Beach,	Nov. 22, 1837	32	107	139	21	7	3	10	2	4		6		3	125
" 2d ch.	1827	Leverett Griggs,	Sept. 22, 1847	56	114	170	37	14	11	25	1	4		5	6	6	225
" Grass Hill,		Sidney Holman,	Stated supply.	16	45	61	28	1		1	3	3	1	7			78
Northbridge,	June 6, 1792	William Bates,	Nov. 5, 1845	27	60	87	11					6		6		1	100
" Whitinsville,	July 31, 1834	Lewis F. Clark,	June 1, 1842	36	80	116	17	5	11	16		8		8	1	7	230
Sutton,	1720	Vacant,		59	139	198	30	4	2	6	4	5		9	3	2	140
Upton,	1735	William Warren,	Nov. 14, 1849	74	160	234	42	14	3	17	3	1	13	17	9	6	400
Uxbridge,	Jan. 1731	J. J. Abbott,	April 3, 1850	37	120	157	42		4	4	2	1		3		1	242
Webster,	June 16, 1838	Lorenzo Cary,	Aug. 14, 1845	40	78	118	28		4	4	2	4	1	7			160
Total, 14		12		557	1259	1816	343	79	54	133	25	63	15	103	37	45	2365

Without Pastoral Charge.—Daniel Butler, Westboro'; Herbert A. Read, Webster.

14. MENDON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Dover,	1839	J. Haskell,	Dec. 25, 1850	11	19	30	4									1	40
Foxboro',	1799	Wm. Barnes,	Dec. 15, 1847	31	81	112	7	2	2	4	4	2		6	2	8	280
Franklin,	Feb. 16, 1738	Samuel Hunt,	Dec. 4, 1850	52	100	152		1		1		1		1		1	200
Holliston,	Oct. 31, 1728	J. T. Tucker,	June 6, 1849	62	172	234	6	24	16	40	4	4		8	9	10	350
Mansfield,	May 9, 1838	M. Blake,	Dec 4, 1839	28	52	80	7	3	2	5		1		1	3	4	175
Medfield,	Feb. 1828	T. T. Richmond,	Oct. 26, 1842	26	59	85		2		2						1	65
Medway, 1st,	1715	S. Harding,	Nov. 1, 1837	40	120	160						4		4			125
" 2d,	Oct. 4, 1750	Jacob Ide, D. D.	Nov. 2, 1814	67	129	196	28	1	1	2	2	2		4		5	225
" Village,	Sept. 7, 1838	David Sanford,	Oct. 3, 1838	42	117	159	20	5	7	12	2	3		5	3	4	175
Mendon,	Aug. 13, 1828	C. Chamberlain,	Stated supply.	7	41	48											60
Milford,	April 15, 1741	Preston Pond,	May, 24, 1849	23	64	87			4	4	2			2		1	175
Walpole,	1826	G. H. Newhall,	Sept. 18, 1850	45	122	167		4	3	7	1	1		2	1	4	150
Wrentham, 1st,	April 13, 1692	Horace James,	Nov. 1, 1843	63	193	256	47	3		3	6	2	2	10	2	5	200
" North,	June 16, 1798	John Dwight,	Stated supply.	9	24	33					2	3		5		1	45
Total, 14	14			506	1293	1799	119	45	35	80	23	23	2	48	20	45	2065

Without Pastoral Charge.—Charles Simmons, North Wrentham; T. D. P. Stone, and D. J. Poor, Hopkinton; T. S. Southworth, Franklin; A. H. Reed, Mendon.

15. MIDDLESEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850			Removed 1850.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Ashland,	1835	Wm. M. Thayer,	June 20, 1849	49	75	124	31	12	5	17	4	1	1	6	5	3	230
Concord,	June 5, 1826	Vacant,		15	70	85			1	1						2	100
Framingham,	Oct. 8, 1771	Vacant,		65	161	226	16	2	1	3	4	2		6	1	9	160
Hopkinton,	Sept. 2, 1724	J. C. Webster,	Dec. 19, 1838	52	120	172	20	2	1	3	1	1	1	3	1	6	200
Lincoln,	Aug. 20, 1747	W. C. Jackson,	April 26, 1848	28	59	87	16	1		1	2	2		4	1	3	120
Marlboro',	1666	George Denham,	Stated supply.	34	106	140	16	7	1	8	4	8		12	3	6	200
Natick,	March, 1822	Vacant,		40	99	139	25				4	1		5			150
Needham, West,	Sept. 1795	A. Bigelow,	July 7, 1847	31	72	103					1			1		2	165
" Grantville,	Feb. 24, 1847	W. Barrows,	Aug. 22, 1850	17	24	41	6					2		2		1	75
Saxonville,	May, 1834	B. G. Northrup,	March 10, 1847	25	65	90	17		4	4	1	1		2			150
Sherburne,	March 26, 1685	Edmund Dowse,	Oct. 10, 1838	72	93	165	34	12		12		3		3	4		152
Southboro',	Feb. 17, 1831	Alanson Rawson,	Stated supply.	67	111	178	19	5	3	8	2	5		7	2	5	309
Stow,	May 11, 1839	T. Cooke,	June 9, 1847	18	34	52			2	2						2	60
Sudbury,	Aug. 1640	Josiah Ballard,	March 8, 1841	49	134	183		35	2	37	3			3	10	8	130
Wayland,	May 21, 1828	Vacant,		33	95	128	27	60		60	1			1	27	32	114
Total, 15		11		595	1318	1913	227	136	20	156	27	26	2	55	54	79	2311

16. MIDDLESEX UNION ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad	Inf.	School.
Acton,	March 13, 1832	J. T. Woodbury,	July 15, 1832	91	137	228			1	1	4	2		6		3	150
Ashby,	June 12, 1776	C. W. Wood,	Oct. 30, 1839	56	105	161	27	3	2	5	3			3		2	150
Boxboro',	April 29, 1724	Vacant,															
Dunstable,	May 12, 1757	D. Adams,	Sept. 5, 1850	30	69	99					1	2		3			100
Fitchburg,	Jan. 27, 1768	E. W. Bullard,	Aug. 8, 1838	122	239	361	25	4	12	16	8	7		15	1	9	
Groton,	July 13, 1664	E. A. Bulkley,		59	119	178		15	5	20	3	5	1	9	1		
Harvard,	Oct. 10, 1733	George Fisher,	Sept. 12, 1821	45	97	142	25		2	2	4	1		5		1	120
Lancaster,	May 12, 1839	C. Packard,	Jan. 1, 1840	21	51	72	16	6	5	11	1	3	1	5		3	90
Leominster,	Dec. 25, 1822	Vacant,		54	126	180	21	19	13	32	5	2		7	3	7	295
Littleton,	May 14, 1840	Daniel H. Babcock,	April 24, 1851	16	26	42	12	2		2	1			1			40
Lunenburg,	June 10, 1835	E. R. Hodgman,	Stated supply.	32	64	96	15	1	16	17	4	5		9		3	125
Pepperell,	Jan. 29, 1747	L. Cutler,	Jan. 22, 1851	119	163	282	43	2	2	4	6	2		8	1	1	157
Shirley,	March 12, 1828	G. W. Adams,	Stated supply.	9	18	27	7		2	2		2		2		2	72
Townsend,	Oct. 16, 1734	L. H. Sheldon,	Aug. 1, 1844	112	182	294		4	1	5	5	7		12	2	9	285
Westford,	Dec. 25, 1825	Leonard Luce,	April 8, 1829	55	96	151	44	5	2	7	3	3		6	3	1	195
Total, 15		14		821	1492	2313	235	61	72	133	48	41	2	91	11	41	1779

17. NORFOLK ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Abington, 1st,	1712	J. W. Ward,	May 21, 1834	52	81	133	9	20	1	21	3	3		6	13	3	175
" 2d,	Aug. 19, 1807	Selden Haynes,	Dec 18, 1850	72	113	185	15	56		56	3	1		4	35	17	150
" 3d,	1813	H. D. Walker,	Feb. 15, 1844	37	88	125	8	14	2	16					8	2	200
" North,	Oct. 3, 1839	Isaac C. White,	Oct. 23, 1850	40	53	93	1				2	3		5			175
Berkley, Tr. cong. ch.	Sept. 20, 1848	L. R. Eastman,	Stated supply.	12	18	30		4		4					1		110
Braintree, 1st,	Sept. 10, 1707	R. S. Storrs, D. D.	July 3, 1811	49	123	172					4	2		6		1	100
" South,	Nov. 18, 1829	Wm. B. Hammond,	April 18, 1849	31	47	78	9	2	1	3					1	11	180
" and Weymouth,	Aug 14, 1811	Jonas Perkins,	June 14, 1815	70	112	182	21	2		2	1	1		2		2	150
Canton,	July, 1828	Vacant,		10	20	30			4	4						1	56
Cohasset, 2d ch.	Nov. 24, 1824	F. A. Reed,	March 9, 1848	15	75	90	12	1		1	1	2		3		5	83
Dedham, South,	June 23, 1736	Calvin Durfee,	March 2, 1836	28	54	82	9	1		1	2			2		4	100
Dorchester, 2d ch.	Jan. 1, 1808	James H. Means,	July 13, 1848	83	233	316	60	8	4	12	2	7		9	1	15	175
" Village,	March 11, 1829	David Dyer,	April 9, 1845	45	133	178	54	5		5	1	7		3		2	120
E. Bridgewater, Un. c.	June 20, 1826	T. B Wilcox,	May 11, 1851	51	59	110		40		40	3	4		7			150
Easton,	1711	Luther Sheldon,	Oct. 24, 1810	37	87	124		4		4	5	1	1	7	4	2	120
Hanover,	Dec. 5, 1728	A. G. Duncan,	Aug. 29, 1833	16	50	66	7		1	1	4			4		1	100
Hanson,	Sept. 11, 1749	S. L. Rockwood,	March 11, 1840	10	51	61		2	2	4						1	
Hingham, Evang. ch.	Dec. 21, 1847	E. Porter Dyer,	Jan. 4, 1849	7	10	17	1	1		1	1			1	1	2	70
Milton,	1678	Albert K. Teele,	Dec. 18, 1850	32	64	96	15		2	2		3		3		1	
" Railway,	Nov. 9, 1843	S. W. Cozzens,	Stated supply.	9	27	36	4	1	2	3	1	1		2	1		80
North Bridgewater,	Jan. 3, 1738	Paul Couch,	Oct. 7, 1835	53	81	134	10	16	2	18	2	85		87	4		
" Porter Ev. ch.	March 6, 1850	John F. Norton,	June 5, 1850	41	66	107	2	11	99	110	3			3	2	3	183
" South ch.	1837	D. Huntington,	Jan. 1, 1840	32	43	75		8	8	16	1	3		4	3	4	
Quincy,	Aug. 16, 1832	Nelson Clark,	Jan. 2, 1850	25	74	99	26		8	8		1		1		12	149
Randolph,	May 28, 1731	C. Hitchcock, D. D.	Feb. 28, 1821	44	82	126		5	1	6	2			2	2		80
" East,	1821	E. Russell,	May 8, 1850	47	87	134		1	6	7	2			2		3	190
Scituate,	Jan. 18, 1634	Daniel Wight, Jr.	Sept. 28, 1842	28	50	78	5	2		2	1		2	3	1		150
Sharon,	May 20, 1741	L. R. Phillips,	July 29, 1841	26	74	100	2	1	3	4		4		4		4	110
Stoughton,	Aug. 10, 1744	Albert Perry,	Jan. 8, 1851	28	50	78	17									2	100
Weymouth, North,	Jan. 30, 1638	Joshua Emery,	Jan. 25, 1838	69	139	208		11		11		4	1	5	8	2	200
" South,	1723	James P. Torrey,	July 6, 1848	22	61	83		5	5	10	1	1		2	3	3	130
" Union ch.	Nov. 1, 1842	Willard M. Harding,	Nov. 17, 1847	18	48	66	2	19	2	21	2	5		7	16	2	175
Total, 32		31		1139	2353	3492	289	240	149	389	47	138	4	189	104	104	3761

18. OLD COLONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				dmitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Mules.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Dartmouth, South,	1807	Wm. A. Mandell,	Nov. 11, 1846	29	81	110	28		2	2		2		2		4	80
Edgartown,	1641	S B. Goodenow,	June 2, 1847	31	94	125	25	1	3	4	2			2		1	80
Fairhaven,	1794	Jacob Roberts,	July 17, 1839	57	113	170	21	11	5	16							240
Middleboro', Central,	March 25, 1847	I. C. Thatcher,	Aug. 16, 1849	35	58	93	6	35	10	45					30	16	100
New Bedford, 1st ch.	1696	D. C. Burt,	July 1, 1835	17	44	61	8									12	85
" North,	Oct. 15, 1807	A. Eldridge,	Sept. 15, 1847	84	186	270	10	20	5	25	4	3		7	3		275
" South,	Nov. 1830	Wheelock Craig,	Dec. 4, 1850	43	80	123											105
" Pacific,	Oct. 8, 1844	M. M. Colburn,	June 12, 1851	22	38	60	14				2	14		16			40
Rochester, South,	1686	Leander Cobb,	Dec. 1, 1841	17	49	66	3	1		1					1	1	80
" Centre,	1686	E. W. Harrington,	June 19, 1850	21	84	105	25	16	5	21		1		1	7	1	100
" Mattapoisett,	1740	Wm. L. Mather,	Stated supply.	54	95	149					5			5		3	90
" North,	1758	Isaac Briggs,	1836	21	19	40											30
Wareham,	1739	James A. Roberts,	Stated supply.	34	98	132			1	1	1			1			40
Total, 13	13			465	1039	1504	140	84	31	115	14	20		34	46	28	1275

Without Pastoral Charge.—William Gould, Fairhaven; Samuel Nott, Jr., Wareham; N. Cobb, North Falmouth; Samuel Beane, Little Compton.

19. PILGRIM ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Carver,	1733	Stillman Pratt,	Pastor elect.	30	50	80	10				3	2		5			60
Kingston,	May 19, 1828	Joseph Peckham,	Nov. 30, 1842	22	57	79	8	1	3	4	1	4		5	1	2	70
Marshfield, North,	1834	Vacant,		15	23	38											60
" South,	1640	Ebenezer Alden,	Oct. 30, 1850	25	42	67	8		2	2					1	1	70
Plymouth, Manomet,	Nov. 8, 1738	Charles Greenwood,	Stated supply.	40	53	93	8				1	2		3		3	80
" Chiltonville,	1819	S. H. Riddel,	Stated supply.	70	95	165											112
" Robinson,	1830	Vacant,															
" Pilgrimage,	Oct. 1800	Charles S. Porter,	May 25, 1845	32	96	128		3	5	8	4	1		5	2	1	174
Plympton,	1695	Vacant,		27	89	116	13				5	3	2	10		1	67
Total, 9	6			271	505	776	47	4	10	14	14	12	2	28	3	8	693

Without Pastoral Charge.—Elijah Dexter, Plympton; F. P. Howland, and J. King, Abington; D. D. Tappan, Marshfield; Benj. Whitmore, Chiltonville.

20. SALEM ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Beverly, Dane-st.	Nov. 9, 1802	Joseph Abbott,	Oct. 23, 1834	71	146	217		4		4	9			9		4	
" Washington-st.	1837	George T. Dole,	Oct. 6, 1842	30	100	130											
" Upper,	Sept. 1, 1834	Allen Gannett,	Dec. 15, 1847	6	23	29	7				1	1		2		1	65
Boxford, 1st ch.	1702	Wm. S. Coggin,	May 9, 1838	16	51	67		2		2		4		4	1		140
Danvers, 1st ch.	Nov. 16, 1689	M. P. Braman,	April 12, 1826	38	98	136		2	3	5	2	2		4	1	4	240
Lynn, 1st ch.	June, 1632	Parsons Cook, D. D.	May 4, 1836	50	133	183		6	6	12	4	14		18	5	6	300
" Swampscott,	July 15, 1846	J. B. Clark,	Stated supply.	8	22	30	2	2		2						3	170
" Central,	Dec. 11, 1850	A. R. Baker,	Pastor elect.	18	42	60									4	4	140
Salem, Tabernacle ch.	April, 1735	S. M. Worcester, D.D	Dec. 3, 1834	77	332	409	25	19	8	27	8	11	4	23	5	13	450
Saugus,		L. Brigham,	May 7, 1851	10	16	26			6	6		2		2	3	2	75
Topsfield,	1663	A. McLoud,	Dec. 8, 1841	51	106	157	21		1	1	4			4		1	180
Wenham,	Oct. 8,	J. Taylor,	Oct. 27, 1847	48	85	133		19	2	21	5	3	3	11	4	2	200
Total, 12	12			423	1154	1577	55	54	28	180	33	37	7	77	23	40	2098

Without Pastoral Charge.—Joseph Tracy.

21. SUFFOLK NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Boston, Old South ch.	May 5, 1669	G. W. Blagden, D. D.	Sept. 28, 1836	93	430	523		4	4	8	8			8		6	140
" Bowdoin-st.	July 18, 1825	J. B. Waterbury, D.D.	Sept. 1846	151	296	447		1	18	19	3	25	4	32			
" Central ch.	May 11, 1835	W. M. Rogers, George Richards,	Aug. 6, 1835 Oct. 8, 1845	152	321	473		10	29	39		19		19			480
" Maverick ch.	May 31, 1836	Vacant,		52	98	150											
Cambridge, 1st ch.	Feb 1, 1636	J. A. Albro, D. D.	April 5, 1835	68	172	240		14	16	30	3	4		7	4	7	186
Cambridgeport,	Sept. 20, 1827	W. A. Stearns,	Dec. 14, 1831	83	180	263		1	20	21	2	8		10		15	230
Cambridge East,	Sept. 8, 1842	Vacant,		21	48	69		1	2	3	1			1		4	125
Charlestown, 1st ch.	Nov. 2, 1632	W. I. Budington,	April 22, 1840	55	198	253		6	3	9	5	2	3	10	2	2	
" Winthrop ch.	Jan. 9, 1833	Benjamin Tappan, Jr.	Oct 4, 1849	105	232	337		18	16	34	3	11		14	6	5	592
Chelsea, Winnisimmet	Sept. 30, 1841	I. P. Langworthy,	Nov. 10, 1841	110	213	323	49	12	19	31	1	2	1	4	7	3	604
Malden, 1st ch.	March, 1649	A. W. McClure,	Nov. 22, 1848	29	59	88	10	1	2	3	1	4		5	1	5	185
" Winthrop ch.	March 16, 1848	F. G. Pratt,	Oct. 18, 1649	13	39	52	2	7	7	14					6	3	147
Medford, 2d ch.	Oct. 1823	L. H. Angier,	Stated supply.	55	113	168											
" Mystic ch.	July 6, 1847	A. B. Warner,	Oct. 27, 1847	27	65	92	4	2	14	16	6	1		7	2	5	130
Newton, 1st ch.	July 20, 1664	D. L. Furber,	Dec. 1, 1847	40	78	118	17		8	8	4	1		5		7	80
" 2d ch.	Oct. 2, 1781	L. Gilbert, D. D.	July 2, 1828	40	64	104		3	10	13	1	8		9	1	4	100
" Eliot ch.	June, 1845	W. S. Leavitt,	Dec. 3, 1845	29	66	95	10		4	4	2	5		7		3	130
" Auburndale ch.	Nov. 14, 1850	Vacant,		15	18	33		1	32	33					1	2	50
North Chelsea,	May 9, 1828	J. D. Farnsworth,	Stated supply	7	14	21	5										80
Waltham, Tr. cong. ch.	Sept. 28, 1820	John Whitney,	Nov. 8, 1837	30	120	150		4	7	11	1	6		7			125
Total, 20		18		1175	2724	3899	97	85	211	296	41	96	8	145	30	71	3384

Without Pastoral Charge.—R. Anderson, D. D., G. C. Beckwith, D. D., S. Bliss, A. Bullard, D. Clark, W. M. Cornell, W. Jenks, D. D., H. Winslow, Boston; W. Bushnell, Newton; J. Curtis, Charlestown.

22. SUFFOLK SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec	[illegible]	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf	School.
Boston, Park-st. ch.	Feb. 27, 1809	A. L. Stone,	Jan. 25, 1849	150	383	533	100	15	30	45	3	9		12	5	9	250
" Essex-st.	Aug. 26, 1822	N. Adams, D. D.	March 26, 1834	133	443	576		8	17	25	1	21		22		15	200
" Salem-st.	Sept. 1, 1827	E. Beecher, D. D.	March 13, 1844	153	341	494		4	4	8	4	4		8			380
" Pine-st.	Sept. 2, 1827	H. M. Dexter,	April 18, 1849	85	150	235		1	20	21		13		13			220
" Mariners,	Jan. 20, 1830	George W. Bourne,	Feb. 15, 1849	24	56	80	23	2	1	3	1	1		2		7	
" Mt. Vernon,	June 1, 1842	E. N. Kirk,	June 1, 1842	186	379	565		18	36	54	4	18		22	2	33	363
" Shawmut,	Nov. 20, 1845	W. C. Foster,	Oct. 25, 1849	47	88	135		20	13	33	3	7		10	8	28	275
" Edwards ch.	Feb. 1, 1849	Vacant,		28	71	99	6	11	10	21		2		2	2	11	420
" Phillips ch.	Dec. 10, 1823	J. W. Alvord,	Nov. 14, 1846	77	149	226											250
" Pilgrims,	July 1, 1844	S. H. Higgins,	July, 1850	94	226	320		51	17	68		19		19	30	6	200
Brighton,	Sept. 13, 1827	A. Swazey,	Oct. 6, 1847	39	89	128		2		2	2	7	1	0	2	4	120
Brookline,	Aug. 21, 1844	M. M. Smith,	June 5, 1851	26	39	65	6	2	3	5		8		8		1	51
Dedham, 1st ch.	Nov. 8, 1638	E. Burgess, D. D.	March 14, 1821	52	187	239		6	2	8	2	5		7	3	10	125
Roxbury, Eliot ch.	Sept. 18, 1834	A. C. Thompson,	July 22, 1842	85	171	256		14	24	38	5	9		14	2	19	250
" West,	June 11, 1835	T. Laurie,	May 7, 1851	17	40	57	5		1	1		3		3			75
Total, 15		14		1196	2812	4008	140	154	178	332	25	126	1	152	54	143	3179

Without Pastoral Charge.—J. S. Clark, L. Dwight, S. H. Riddell, S. B. Treat, and J. E. Woodbridge, Boston; J. Abbott, New York; A. Phelps, Andover; C. E. Stow, Brunswick, Me.

23. TAUNTON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School
Attleboro', 2d ch.	Nov. 30, 1748	Jonathan Crane,	Oct. 20, 1836	63	189	252	30	6	8	14	4	4	2	10	3	4	300
" West,	Nov. 12, 1712	Vacant,		44	82	126	46		2	2	3	1		4			120
Berkley, Cong. ch.	Nov. 2, 1737	N. Richardson,	Stated supply.	48	96	144		30		30	3	1	2	6	19		120
Dighton,	1710	Vacant,		22	33	55											50
Fall River, Central ch.	1843	Eli Thurston,	March, 1849	72	132	204		64	5	69	2	3		5	32	7	300
Freetown,	1809	S. Woodbury,	Stated supply.	10	31	41	3				1			1			50
Norton,	April 3, 1832	Vacant,		50	79	129	14				5	1		6			150
Pawtucket,	April 17, 1829	C. Blodgett,	July 27, 1836	54	174	228	70	3	6	9	5	4		9	2	10	300
Raynham,	Oct. 19, 1731	Robert Carver,	Dec. 1, 1847	42	99	141	49	7	4	11	2	3		5			178
Rehoboth,	Nov. 29, 1721	C. P. Grosvenor,	Stated supply.	16	71	87	9	5		5	4	2		6	5	4	135
Seekonk,	1644	Vacant,		29	63	92	11	3		3	3	5		8	2	3	110
Taunton, West,	1638	Alvan Cobb,	April 19, 1815	27	60	87	20										90
" Trin. ch.	Aug. 21, 1821	E. Maltby,	June 18, 1826	101	254	355	53	69	7	76	2	13		15	40	5	340
" Spring-st. ch.	Jan. 12, 1837	S. H. Emery,	Nov. 23, 1837	48	89	137	24	16	11	27	5	2		7	8		175
Total, 14		10		626	1452	2078	329	203	43	246	39	39	4	82	111	33	2418

Without Pastoral Charge.—Orin Fowler, Fall River; James O. Barney, Seamen's Chaplain, Providence, R. I.

24. VINEYARD SOUND ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Barnstable, West,	1634	E. Chase,	Stated supply	28	42	70	10				4	2		6			60
" Centreville,	1825	E. Bacon,	Stated supply.	30	62	92	8	3	2	5	1	1		2		7	80
Chilmark,	1690	E. Demond,	Stated supply.	4	21	25	2	1		1					1		30
Falmouth, 1st ch.	Oct. 1708	H. B. Hooker,	Feb. 22, 1837	64	148	212		5		5	8			8	1	8	250
" East,	June 20, 1821	S. S. Hyde,	Dec. 8, 1847	19	30	49		1	2	3					1		60
" North,	1833	N. Cobb,	Stated supply.	28	37	65	9	1		1	1	3		4			40
" East, 2d,	June 3, 1850	S. F. Beard,	Stated supply.	8	25	33		2	3	5					2		60
Marshpee and Herring Pond,	1670	P. Fish,	Sept. 28, 1841	6	21	27					1			1			55
Nantucket,	Nov. 25, 1767	B. Judkins,	April 1, 1851	75	282	357											300
Sandwich,	1638	E. Wells,	July, 1847	39	72	111		3	2	5	2	2		4	1	2	110
" Monument,	1833	J. Garland,	June 2, 1848	11	33	44	7	3	2	5	1	8	1	10		1	40
Tisbury, Holmes Hole	May 9, 1844	Vacant,		4	19	23		1		1						1	50
" West,	1673	Vacant,		19	37	56											35
Yarmouth, West,	1839	J. H. Wells,		7	50	57											42
Total, 14		12		342	879	1231	36	20	11	31	18	16	1	35	6	19	1212

Without Pastoral Charge.—A. Cobb, Sandwich.

25. WOBURN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Bedford,	July 15, 1730	Oren Sikes,	June 3, 1846	48	112	160	30	2	5	7					2	2	150
Billerica,	April 30, 1829	J. G. D. Stearns,	May 10, 1843	11	44	55	13	5	2	7	1	5		6	1	1	60
Burlington,	Oct. 29, 1735	H. G. Park,	Nov. 15, 1849	20	35	55	4		1	1	3			3			60
Carlisle,	Feb. 28, 1781	S. W. Banister,	April 27, 1848	13	39	52	4	1	1	2	1			1		2	75
Melrose,	July 11, 1848	Vacant,		8	14	22			3	3						2	40
Reading, Old South,	Feb. 21, 1771	L. Whiting,	Jan. 1, 1851	50	79	129	14	17	6	23	2	1		3	7	3	187
" Bethesda ch.		E. W. Clark,	Jan. 1, 1850	50	83	133	2	38	7	45	3	6		9	16	1	178
" North,	June 29, 1720	E. W. Allen,	May 17, 1847	22	46	68	9				1			1			150
South Reading,	Nov. 5, 1645	{ Reuben Emerson, { Alfred Emerson,	Oct. 1804 Oct. 15, 1845														
Stoneham,	July 2, 1729	W. C. Whitcomb,	May 1, 1850	32	75	107	20	8	8	16					1	1	120
Tewksbury,	Nov. 29, 1734	J. Coggin,	Oct. 22, 1806	60	90	150		3		3	2	4		6	2	6	140
West Cambridge,	Dec. 14, 1842	Francis Horton,	May 17, 1843	29	65	94	12	16	6	22		2		2	6	3	90
Wilmington,	Oct. 24, 1733	J. E. Swallow,	March 26, 1851														
Winchester,	Nov. 15, 1840	J. M. Steele,	Aug. 10, 1848	69	125	194	19	4	15	19	4	4		8	3	7	220
Woburn, 1st ch.	Aug 14, 1642	Jonathan Edwards,	Sept. 7, 1848	145	275	420	55	19	6	25	1	13		14	13	12	250
" North,	Nov. 22, 1849	Samuel Sewall,	Stated supply.	13	32	45		2	3	5						2	85
Total, 16		16		570	1114	1684	182	115	63	178	18	35		53	51	42	1805

Without Pastoral Charge.—John A. Vinton, Stoneham.

26. WORCESTER CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad	Im.	
Auburn,	Jan. 25, 1776	Vacant,		63	104	167	25	3	4	7	1	4			1	2	150
Barre,	Aug. 18, 1820	C. M. Nichols,	1851	84	82	166		2	2	4	2	2		4			200
Berlin,	April 7, 1779	Henry Adams,	Oct. 25, 1843	44	78	122	20	11	2	13		1		1	2	2	140
Boylston,	Oct. 6, 1743	Wm. H. Sanford,	Oct. 17, 1832	52	91	143	27	22	2	24	2	4		6	6	5	150
Clinton,	Nov. 14, 1844	Wm. H. Corning,	Dec. 8, 1847	42	87	129		14	13	27	1	6		7	12		150
Holden,	Dec. 22, 1742	Wm. P. Paine,	Dec. 24, 1833	106	220	326		11	6	17	3	7	2	12	6	2	150
Leicester,	1721	{ John Nelson, D. D. / { A. C. Denison,	March 4, 1812 / March 4, 1851	78	136	214	9	11	5	16	3	6	1	10	5	6	227
Northboro',	April 12, 1832	Wm. A. Houghton,	July 5, 1843	22	70	92	23	3	6	9					3		140
Oxford,	Jan. 18, 1721	Horatio Bardwell,	Jan. 8, 1836	67	154	221	56		3	3	1	11	1	13		8	159
Paxton,	Sept. 3, 1767	Wm. Phipps,	Nov. 8, 1840	36	90	126	12	5	1	6	2	5	1	8	1	4	180
Princeton,	Aug. 12, 1764	Vacant,		45	64	109	16										100
Rutland,	Nov. 1, 1727	George E. Fisher,	Feb. 27, 1850	77	168	245	25	12	6	18	1	7		8	4	2	200
Shrewsbury,	Dec. 4, 1723	N. W. Williams,	Feb. 28, 1849	106	178	284	34		1	1	4	5		9		1	270
Westboro',	Oct. 28, 1724	Daniel R. Cady,	Dec 4, 1849	118	269	387	29	56	24	80	7	10		17	23	19	300
West Boylston,	Sept. 15, 1796	Joseph W. Cross,	March 11, 1840	84	183	267	25	3	2	5	6	13		19	2	6	300
Worcester, 1st par.	1719	George P. Smith,	March 19, 1848	124	230	354	25	13	34	47	10	15		25	3	3	466
" Calvinist,	Aug. 16, 1820	Seth Sweetser,	Dec. 19, 1838	99	218	317	46	5	14	19	5	15	2	22	1	6	306
" Union,	Feb. 3, 1836	Elam Smalley, D. D.	Sept. 19, 1838	157	253	410	50	11	36	47	5	18	1	24	7	5	400
" Salem-st.	Dec. 12, 1848	George Bushnell,	Dec. 13, 1848	65	104	169		8	31	39	4	15		19	4	12	170
Total, 19		18		1449	2779	4228	422	190	182	372	57	144	9	210	80	83	4158

Without Pastoral Charge.—George Allen, Chaplain of Mass. Insane Hospital; Isaac Worcester, Agent of A. B. C. F. M.; Henry B. Holmes, Agent of Am. Tract Society; George S. Hovey, Agent of Am. and For. Christian Union; M. G. Pratt, Agent of Am. Col. Soc.; Rodney A. Miller, Worcester.

27. WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admitted 1850.			Removed 1850.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Rec.	ot	D'th	Dis.	Ex	Tot.	Ad.	Int.	
Ashburnham,	April, 1760	J. D. Crosby,	Stated supply.	66	111	177		1	4	5	3	2		5	1	2	150
" North,	Feb. 21, 1843	A. A. Whitmore,	Oct. 18, 1848	39	37	67	16	9	1	10							
Athol,	Sept. 17, 1750	R. M. Chipman,	Aug. 15, 1839	48	91	139	29		6	6	11	7	2	20		4	180
Gardner, 1st,		J. C. Paine,	Jan. 12, 1848	19	24	43		1		1	1			1			
" 2d,		D. C. Frost,	Stated supply.	55	85	140	29	9	2	11	1	1		2	6		232
Hubbardston,	Feb. 14, 1770	D. B. Bradford,	June 17, 1846	54	131	185	70	12	3	15	3	1		4	3	3	125
New Salem,	Aug. 1845	W. H. Hayward,	Aug. 23, 1848	8	18	26	4	1	1	2					1	1	80
Petersham,	Dec. 1830	Vacant,		30	66	96	8	23	7	30		4		4	2	5	140
Phillipston,	Nov. 16, 1785	A. E. P. Perkins,	Sept. 18, 1844	62	129	191	34	7	3	10	4	3		7	5	3	
Royalston, 1st ch.	Oct. 13, 1766	Norman Hazen,	March 24, 1847	45	101	146					4			4		1	225
" South,	Feb. 22, 1837	George Goodyear,	Dec. 19, 1849	29	45	74	15	2	4	6					1		75
Templeton,	April 11, 1832	Lewis Sabin,	Sept. 21, 1837	39	80	119	8	16	3	19	1	6		7	7	1	180
Westminster,	Oct. 20, 1744	O. H. White,	1851	87	190	277		3	1	4	7	10		17	2		250
Winchendon, 1st ch.	Dec. 15, 1762	John Storrs,	Aug. 22, 1849	30	63	93		2		2	2	5		7	2	1	60
" North,	Dec. 7, 1843	A. P. Marvin,	Jan. 10, 1844	35	87	122	8	4	9	13	1			1	1	8	
Total, 15		14		607	1258	1865	221	90	44	134	38	39	2	79	31	29	1697

Without Pastoral Charge.—Ebenezer Perkins, Royalston; Alexander Lovell, Westboro'; Samuel H. Peckham, Lunenburg; Stephen S. Smith, Agent of Society for National Popular Education, Northampton; Edwin Jennison, Walpole, N. H.; Samuel D. Darling, Wisconsin; J. D. Crosby, Ashburnham; Solomon Clark, Dedham.

SUMMARY.

Associations.	Chs.	Pastors.	Stated supplies.	Vacant chhs.	Ministers without charge.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1851.				Admissions in 1850.			Removals in 1850.				Baptisms.		Sab. Sch.
						Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Rec.	Total.	Death.	Dis.	Ex.	Total.	Adults	Infants	
Andover,	17	12	2	1	6	843	2,617	3,460	614	56	116	172	41	110		151	18	24	2,722
Berkshire,	36	26	5	4	11	1,601	3,353	4,954	257	208	75	296	52	88	9	149	102	63	3,892
Brewster,	12	8	3	1	1	383	884	1,267	51	11	10	21	15	5		20	5	10	1,063
Bridgewater,	7	5	1	1	1	217	477	694	13	73	18	91	15	9	4	28	57	7	636
Brookfield,	17	16	2		2	787	1,823	2,610	379	69	66	135	52	66		118	36	72	2,833
Essex North,	24	20	4	1		999	2,264	3,263	111	285	99	384	51	30	5	86	113	63	3,026
Essex South,	16	16	1		1	794	2,140	2,934	104	262	65	327	41	26	15	82	70	96	3,044
Franklin,	30	22	3	7	7	957	1,763	2,720	229	127	72	199	57	119	7	183	51	78	3,369
Hampden East,	16	13	4		1	961	1,741	2,702	228	138	140	278	38	99	2	139	45	66	2,228
Hampden West,	17	9	6	2	4	576	1,140	1,716	156	95	59	154	28	42	2	72	22	29	1,500
Hampshire,	18	16	1	2	8	1,285	2,106	3,491	180	240	66	306	49	65	3	117	80	79	2,425
Hampshire East,	17	13	1	3	4	1,157	1,966	3,123	222	325	58	383	43	75	4	122	111	80	2,729
Harmony,	14	10	2	2	2	557	1,259	1,816	343	79	54	133	25	63	15	103	37	45	2,365
Mendon,	14	12	2		5	506	1,293	1,799	119	45	35	80	23	23	2	48	20	45	2,065
Middlesex South,	15	9	2	4		595	1,318	1,913	227	136	20	156	27	26	2	55	54	79	2,311
Middlesex Union,	15	10	2	2		821	1,492	2,313	235	61	72	133	48	41	2	91	11	41	1,779
Norfolk,	32	29	2	1		1,139	2,353	3,492	289	240	149	389	47	138	4	189	104	104	3,761
Old Colony,	13	11	2		4	465	1,039	1,504	140	84	31	115	14	20		34	46	28	1,275
Pilgrim,	9	3	4	3	5	271	505	776	47	4	10	14	14	12	2	28	3	8	693
Salem,	12	10	2		1	423	1,154	1,577	55	54	28	180	33	37	7	77	23	40	2,098
Suffolk North,	20	16	2	3	10	1,175	2,724	3,899	97	85	211	296	41	96	8	145	30	71	3,384
Suffolk South,	15	14		1	8	1,196	2,812	4,008	140	154	178	332	25	126	1	152	54	143	3,179
Taunton,	14	7	4	2	2	626	1,452	2,078	329	203	43	246	39	39	4	82	111	33	2,418
Vineyard Sound,	14	7	4	2	1	342	879	1,231	36	20	11	31	18	16	1	35	6	19	1,212
Woburn,	16	15	1	1	1	570	1,114	1,684	182	115	63	178	18	35		53	51	42	1,805
Worcester Central,	19	18		2	6	1,449	2,779	4,228	422	190	182	372	57	144	9	210	80	83	4,158
Worcester North,	15	11	2	1	8	607	1,258	1,865	221	90	44	134	38	39	2	79	31	29	1,697
Total, 27	467	358	64	46	99	21,302	45,705	67,017	5,426	3,449	1,975	5,424	949	1,589	110	2,648	1,371	1,477	64,267

REMARKS ON THE PRECEDING TABLES.

As compared with the last year's Summary, the present shows an advance of one District Association, nine churches, 3,346 members, and 4,935 Sabbath-school and Bible-class pupils. The number of ministers in charge of churches is greater by six, and of those without pastoral charge by seven, than were reported last year.

It is mortifying to add, that, after all the pains taken to get these figures, they are but an approximation to the facts,—on account of *defective statistics*. The returns from only ten Associations out of the twenty-seven were complete when they came into the hands of the Publishing Committee; viz. *Brookfield*, *Franklin*, *Hampden West*, *Hampshire East*, *Mendon*, *Middlesex Union*, *Salem*, *Suffolk South*, *Taunton*, and *Worcester Central*. The delegates from each of these bodies, not only procured full returns, but prepared them for publication. Of the other seventeen tables, there were seven which no printer, of common sense, would ever think of trying to set up till they had been reconstructed entire. This labor devolved, of course, on the Publishing Committee—a labor which none can better appreciate than those who find it too much to construct only *one* such table in a regular and readable form. Add to this the trouble of sending a printed circular to each delinquent member, *postage pre-paid*, and the vexation of receiving from some no answer at all, and from others an answer with *a five cent postage to pay*.

In view of these facts, and in remembrance of unavailing entreaties annually uttered for the last five or six years, the Publishing Committee express it as their painful conviction, that the General Association of Massachusetts must revert to their old way of sending forth statistics not worth the ink with which they are printed, or else (not quite as bad) suppress them altogether:—thus depriving ourselves of the only possible means of marking the progress of Christ's Church, so far as our own denomination in Massachusetts is a part of it, and incurring the reproaches of posterity for inflicting on them an *irreparable loss!*

SCRIBES OR REGISTERS OF THE SEVERAL ASSOCIATIONS.

General Association,	E. Davis, D. D., *Westfield.*
Andover Association,	S. W. Hanks, *Lowell.*
Berkshire,	J. Jay Dana, *South Adams.*
Brewster,	E. W. Tucker, *Chatham.*
Bridgewater,	B. Sanford, *East Bridgewater.*
Brookfield,	J. Morse, *Brimfield.*
Essex North,	D. T. Kimball, *Ipswich.*
Essex South,	James Fletcher, *North Danvers.*
Franklin,	T. Packard, Jr., *Shelburne.*
Hampden East,	E. B. Clark, *Chicopee.*
Hampden West,	E. Davis, D. D., *Westfield.*
Hampshire,	J. S. Judd, *Whately.*
Hampshire East,	R. Ayers, *Hadley.*
Harmony,	W. Bates, *Northbridge.*
Mendon,	T. T. Richmond, *Medfield.*
Middlesex South,	A. Bigelow, *West Needham.*
Middlesex Union,	O. G. Hubbard, *Leominster.*
Norfolk,	S. L. Rockwood, *Hanson.*
Old Colony,	W. A. Mandell, *South Dartmouth.*
Pilgrim,	J. Peckham, *Kingston.*
Salem,	A. Gannett, *Beverly.*
Suffolk North,	W. I. Budington, *Charlestown.*
Suffolk South,	J. W. Alvord, *Boston.*
Taunton,	R. Carver, *Raynham.*
Vineyard Sound,	A. Cobb, *Yarmouth.*
Woburn,	E. W. Allen, *North Reading.*
Worcester Central,	G. P. Smith, *Worcester.*
Worcester North,	R. M. Chipman, *Athol.*

RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

1. The Association, by which the General Association of Massachusetts was originally organized, agreed to admit, and this Association continue to admit, as articles of faith, the doctrines of Christianity, as they are generally expressed in the Assembly's Shorter Catechism; and the above-mentioned doctrines, understood by us to be distinctly those, which from the beginning, have been embraced by the churches of New England as the doctrines of the Gospel, are considered as the basis of our union.

2. This General Association is founded on the principles of Congregationalism, and wholly disclaims ecclesiastical jurisdiction over the churches, or the opinions of individuals. Its object is to promote brotherly harmony and intercourse among the ministers of Christ;—to obtain religious information relative to the state of their churches, and of the christian church in this country, and throughout the world;—and to co-operate with one another, and with other ecclesiastical bodies, in the most eligible measures for advancing the cause of truth and holiness.

3. Each District Association in Massachusetts, consenting to the principles of this Union, as stated in the first article, may appoint two delegates annually, to compose this General Association: and it is recommended, that one be appointed, who attended the preceding year.

4. The time of the annual meeting of this Association, shall be on the fourth Tuesday of June, at five o'clock, P. M., at such place, as shall have been duly notified.

5. Seven members, delegated from the particular Associations of Massachusetts, shall be requisite to form a quorum for transacting any business; but for opening and adjourning the meeting, a less number shall be competent.

6. The secretary, and the minister of the church where the Association meet, shall have seats, and act as members; the Associations to which they belong retaining the right to elect their number of Delegates in addition.

7. The minister of the church in the place where the Association meets, or the secretary, may call the Association to order, and preside in the meeting until the Association shall be properly organized.

8. The certificates of the delegates present shall be read by the Secretary, or by a temporary Scribe; and the Association shall then be organized by the choice of a Moderator, a Scribe, and, if necessary, an assistant Scribe, by ballot. The Rules of the Association shall also be read, and the Moderator shall open the business with prayer.

9. At the opening of the session on each subsequent day, the Moderator shall take the chair at the hour to which the Association stands adjourned; shall immediately call the members to order; direct the roll to be called; shall open the meeting with prayer, and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read; and the session of each day shall be closed with prayer.

10. At each meeting of the Association, a Committee of Arrangements, consisting of three, shall be appointed by nomination, to prepare the business of the session; and no business shall be introduced during the session, but through the hands, and with the approbation of the Committee. But if said Committee decline presenting any item of business proposed by any member, he shall have the privilege of appeal to the Association.

11. Every motion, on being seconded, shall, if requested by the Moderator, or any two members, be reduced to writing, and no motion shall be open to discussion, until it be seconded.

12. The Moderator may speak to points of order, in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house by any two members. But he may not speak to the merits of the question without leaving the chair, and placing some other member in it, to preside while he speaks.

13. On questions of order, adjournment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question, no member shall speak more than once. Nor on any question shall a member speak more than twice, without leave of the Association.

14. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question; viz. Shall the main question be now put? The effect of adopting the previous question shall be to put an end to debate, and to bring the Association to a direct vote upon amendments reported by a Committee, if any, upon pending amendments, and then upon the main question.

15. If a question under debate contain several parts, any member may have it divided, and a question taken on each part.

16. Every member, when speaking, shall address himself to the chair; and shall be subject to no needless interruption; if he act disorderly, it shall be the duty of the Moderator, and the privilege of other members to call him to order.

17. The discussions in the Association, and the whole deportment of the members, shall be in accordance with decorum, with due respect to the chair, and with courtesy to each other.

18. No member shall leave the Association before the session is closed, except with the consent of the body; nor shall any one leave the house during a sitting, without the consent of the Moderator.

19. Each annual meeting shall be closed with a psalm or hymn, and prayer by the Moderator, or such other member as he shall appoint.

20. Our principles of fraternal intercourse with all ecclesiastical bodies in correspondence with us are, that this Association, and each

body connected with it, shall annually appoint Delegates to the other, which shall be admitted to the privilege of sitting, and deliberating upon all matters which may come under consideration.

21. The principle of the connection formed with the Massachusetts Missionary Society is, that said Society may annually appoint two delegates to this body, who shall be admitted to equal privileges with the members from the District Associations.

22. Gentlemen, who are admitted as honorary members, shall be allowed full liberty to take part in all deliberations; though they are not considered as entitled to vote; and it is expected they will give notice to the body, if they find it necessary to withdraw previous to the close of the session. The approbation of the Committee of Arrangements shall be obtained, before a gentleman shall be proposed to sit as an honorary member.

23. The Delegates, who the preceding year attended the meetings of foreign bodies, shall, *ex officio*, have seats as honorary members of the General Association.

24. A Committee of three shall be annually appointed, to submit to the General Association at the next meeting, a *Pastoral Address*, to excite the attention of ministers and Christians to faithful discipline in the churches, the instruction of the rising generation, the sanctification of the Sabbath, and other subjects relating to the general interests of religion. The address being approved by the General Association, shall be signed by the Moderator, and printed with the minutes. This Committee shall be chosen from the several Associations in rotation.

25. The several Associations shall have the offer of receiving, in rotation, the annual meeting of the General Association, and each one, in turn, shall appoint one of their number to preach the Associational Sermon, which shall be delivered at two o'clock, Thursday, P. M., after which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered. The narratives given by the Delegates of the several Associations concerning the state of religion and the churches, shall be given on Wednesday afternoon, and shall be presented in writing, with a view to obtain an accurate account of the principal facts, not however to prevent any more particular details which the Delegates may think expedient to add, or the Association to request. The returns, with respect to the number in the churches, etc., shall be made out according to a printed schedule of this body, and according to the numbers on the first of January past.

26. A Committee shall be appointed to receive the narratives and statements, and shall condense them into one narrative, to be submitted to the General Association and published. The written narratives shall be deposited with the Secretary.

27. A Committee shall be appointed to nominate Delegates to foreign bodies, which delegates shall, as far as practicable, be selected from the District Associations in rotation. The brethren chosen substitutes in the delegations to the several bodies in our connection, shall, at our next session be considered as Delegates to the respective bodies, if they shall not previously have taken their seats there, through the failure of their principals.

28. The Secretary shall be chosen for three years, from the close of the meeting at which the choice shall be made. He shall, *ex officio*, be the Treasurer of the General Association; and shall be allowed his own travelling expenses in attending the meetings of this Association.

A Committee shall be appointed annually, to audit the accounts, who shall report the state of the treasury, and the sum in their opinion necessary to be paid the next year by the members of the several Associations connected with this body. The Secretary shall be authorized to pay such expenses as are allowed by this Association.

29. It shall be the duty of the Delegates of the District Associations, to pay the amount of the Assessments due from their respective Associations for the past year, whether collected by them or not.

30. A Publishing Committee shall be annually appointed, to make such extracts from the minutes of the meeting, as in their judgment it will be proper to publish; procure to be printed such number of copies, with the Pastoral Address and Narrative of the State of Religion, as will give one copy to each minister of the Associations represented in this body; and such a number of copies for other bodies connected with this Association, as shall be mutually agreed upon. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to receive the publications from foreign bodies, and distribute them among the several Associations, in proportion to the tax paid by them respectively. One copy of each publication, received by the General Association, or printed by its order, shall be kept in the archives.

31. An Agent shall be appointed in Boston to transmit the Extracts of the Minutes of this General Association to other ecclesiastical bodies, and to receive their Extracts or other publications, and transmit them to the several District Associations represented in this body. And notice of his appointment and place of business, shall be inserted in the printed Extracts. He shall be entitled to a suitable compensation.

32. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to communicate proper information to the Agent in Boston, and to the Publishing Committee, for their direction.

33. Previously to the close of each meeting, the General Association shall specify a place for meeting the next year, and request some District Association to appoint a preacher to deliver the Associational Sermon. And the church of the place of meeting is desired to make preparations to celebrate the Lord's Supper during the session.

34. A *Vote* or *Resolve* to establish, alter, or annul a *standing rule* of this body, shall be read twice on different days, and may be debated at each reading. At the first reading the question shall be, Shall it be read the second time?

BY-LAWS.

1. An annual sermon shall be preached before the Association, on the subject of Home Missions, and a collection taken. The preacher shall be appointed by this body.

2. No report of the state of religion shall be read in public, unless it be approved by the Association from which it comes, or by the Committee of Arrangements of the General Association.

3. It is recommended to the several District Associations, to have their narratives on the state of religion, condensed, so as not to exceed five minutes in the time of reading.

4. The printed Minutes of this Association, shall be sufficient testimonials of the appointment of Delegates to Foreign Bodies.

5. It shall be the duty of those Delegates who attend the meetings of Foreign Bodies, whether they be Primaries or Substitutes, to certify the Secretary in writing, on or before the opening of the annual meeting next after his appointment.

6. The Minutes of this Association shall be sent to the individual members of the Associations connected with this body by mail, and the Chairman of the Committee of Publication, shall furnish a list of the names required to the Agents of the Association.

7. The Minutes of this body, forwarded to the General Association of Connecticut, shall be, according to their request, sent by mail, under the direction of the Publishing Committee.

8. The names of all the members of the Associations belonging to this body, whether with or without charge, shall be inserted in the published returns.

9. Every church without a pastor, by paying twenty-five cents, annually, to the Treasurer of the General Association, through the Treasurer of the local Association, with which said church is connected, shall be entitled to receive the Minutes of the General Association, to be forwarded in the same way as minutes are forwarded to members of the Association.

APPENDIX.

The order in which the several Associations shall have the offer of receiving the Annual Meeting of the General Association, commencing with the Suffolk North in 1848.

Suffolk North,
Suffolk South,
Vineyard Sound,
Bridgewater,
Salem,
Mendon,
Andover,
Brewster,
Taunton,
Hampshire,
Essex South,
Hampshire East,
Norfolk,
Berkshire,
Middlesex South,
Brookfield,
Old Colony,
Pilgrim,
Hampden East,
Essex North,
Hampden West,
Franklin,
Harmony,
Woburn,
Worcester North,
Middlesex Union,
Worcester Central.

The order in which the several Associations shall appoint one of their number to preach the Associational Sermon, commencing with the Worcester Central, in 1848.

Worcester Central,
Suffolk North,
Suffolk South,
Bridgewater,
Salem,
Vineyard Sound,
Essex South,
Franklin,
Harmony,
Mendon,
Hampden East,
Brookfield,
Hampden West,
Middlesex South,
Norfolk,
Hampshire,
Hampshire East,
Worcester North,
Old Colony,
Pilgrim,
Taunton,
Middlesex Union,
Woburn,
Essex North,
Brewster,
Andover,
Berkshire.

FORM OF A SCHEDULE FOR THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

☞It is expected that each member of the particular Associations in Massachusetts will make returns agreeably to this form, to his Association at its meeting next preceding each annual meeting of the General Association, and that the Delegates from each Association will combine all the returns to his Association into one, to be presented to the General Association, *arranging the churches in alphabetical order, adding up and stating the whole amount in each column, and making the return, in all respects, as complete as possible.* ☞The *absent* members are to be regarded as included in the columns with the others.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Total,																	

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MINUTES.

The General Association of Massachusetts assembled in the Meeting-house of the First Congregational Church in Lowell, June 22d, 1852, at 5 o'clock, P. M. The delegates were called to order by Rev. W. Child, D. D., pastor of the Church, and Rev. L. H. Sheldon was chosen Scribe, *pro tem.*

Delegates.

The following clergymen presented certificates of their election as delegates from the District Associations, and were enrolled as members, viz:—

Andover Association,	Rev. J. H. Towne, Rev. Wm. T. Briggs.
Berkshire Association,	Rev. Henry Neill, Rev. N. Lasell.
Brewster Association,	Rev. M. H. Wilder, Rev. A. K. Packard.
Bridgewater Association,	Rev. S. Raymond, Rev. B. Sanford.
Brookfield Association,	Rev. L. Packard, Rev. Jason Morse.
Essex North Association,	Rev. A. Cross, Rev. R. Campbell.
Essex South Association,	Rev. J. M. Hoppin.
Franklin Association,	Rev. N. S. Dickinson, Rev. Charles Kendall.
Hampden East Asso.	Rev. J. W. Harding, Rev. Thomas Wilson.

Hampden West Asso.	Rev. T. M. Cooley, D. D., Rev. H. M. Field.
Hampshire Association,	Rev. Edward Clarke, Rev. J. R. Miller.
Hampshire East Asso.	Rev. J. Woodbridge, D. D., Rev. E. Hitchcock, D. D.
Harmony Association,	Rev. S. Holman, Rev. H. A. Read.
Mendon Association,	Rev. Wm. Barnes, Rev. Horace James.
Middlesex South Asso.	Rev. A. Bigelow.
Middlesex Union Asso.	Rev. L. H. Sheldon, Rev. D. H. Babcock.
Norfolk Association,	Rev. Joshua Emery, Rev. L. Root Eastman.
Old Colony Association,	Rev. Jacob Roberts, Rev. J. A. Roberts.
Pilgrim Association,	Rev. C. S. Porter, Rev. C. Livingston.
Salem Association,	Rev. S. M. Worcester, D. D., Rev. Allen Gannett.
Suffolk North Asso.	Rev. J. B. Waterbury, D. D., Rev. W. S. Leavitt.
Suffolk South Asso.	Rev. N. Adams, D. D., Rev. H. M. Dexter.
Taunton Association,	Rev. J. O. Barney, Rev. Robert Carver.
Vineyard Sound Asso.	Rev. Cyrus Mann.
Woburn Association,	Rev. Lyman Whiting, Rev. E. W. Allen.
Worcester Central Asso.	Rev. Henry Adams, Rev. George P. Smith.
Worcester North Asso.	Rev. A. A. Whitmore, Rev. J. C. Paine.
Mass. Home Miss. Society	Rev. J. S. Clarke, D. D., Rev. E. Maltby.

Members Ex-Officio.

Rev. Emerson Davis, D. D., Secretary,
Rev. W. Child, D. D., Pastor of the Church.

Delegates from Corresponding Bodies.

General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (O. S.),—Rev. Charles Fitch.

General Association of New Hampshire,—Rev. A. W. Burnham.

Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island,—Rev. Samuel Beane.

General Association of Connecticut,—Rev. A. McEwen, D. D., Rev. H. B. Blake.

General Association of New York,—Rev. E. Newhall.

General Association of Michigan,—Rev. A. D. Kitchell.

Honorary Member.

Rev. P. Couch, delegate to last General Association of Connecticut.

Organization.

Rev. John Woodbridge, D. D., was chosen Moderator; Rev. H. M. Dexter, Scribe; and Rev. H. Neill, Assistant Scribe.

The Rules and By-Laws of the Association were read, and prayer was offered by the Moderator.

Committees.

The following Committees were appointed:—

On Elections,—Rev. Messrs. Waterbury, Sheldon and Carver.

On Arrangements,—Rev. Messrs. Child, Emery and Maltby.

On Nominations,—Rev. Messrs. Barney, Leavitt and Smith.

On Accounts,—Rev. Messrs. Hitchcock and Mann.

On Publication,—Rev. Messrs. Dexter, Horton and Budington.

To prepare the Narrative of the State of Religion,—Rev. Messrs. Waterbury, Neill, Mann, Couch and Burnham.

To nominate Delegates to Corresponding Bodies,—Rev. Messrs. Cooley, Clark and Smith.

Voted, That the several sessions of this Body be opened respectively, at 8 o'clock, A. M., 2 o'clock, P. M., and $7\frac{3}{4}$ o'clock, P. M.

Special Committee upon Temperance.

Rev. Messrs. Hitchcock, Cooley and L. Packard were appointed a committee to prepare resolutions expressing the sense of this Body in reference to the Law recently passed by the Legislature of Massachusetts for the suppression of the sale of intoxicating liquors.

After uniting in prayer with Rev. Dr. N. Adams, the Association adjourned until 8 o'clock on Wednesday morning.

In the evening a sermon, founded upon *Colossians* ii. 10, was preached by Rev. W. A. Stearns.

Wednesday morning, 8 *o'clock.* Met according to adjournment. After the calling of the Roll, prayer was offered by the Moderator, and the Minutes of the previous day were read.

Reports from Delegates to Corresponding Bodies.

Rev. P. Couch reported his attendance at the meeting of the General Association of Connecticut.

Rev. L. Packard reported his attendance at the meeting of the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island.

Rev. W. A. Stearns reported the reasons of the non-attendance of the delegates appointed to the General Assembly, (O. S.)

Resolutions in reference to the New Liquor Law.

The committee appointed for the purpose of preparing resolutions expressing the sense of this Association in reference to the new Law for the suppression of the sale of intoxicating drinks, reported as follows :—

Resolved, That this Association cordially approves of the Law recently passed by the Legislature of this State called the " Liquor Law," and soon to go into operation.

Resolved, That, as ministers of the Gospel, we will ourselves yield to the requisitions of this Law, and do all we can to induce others to sustain it.

Resolved, That we have strong confidence in the ability and disposition of a large majority of the population of the State, to give such an efficient execution to this law, as will secure to the community the great benefits it is adapted to confer.

Resolved, That there is nothing in this Law, however thoroughly executed, that should prevent the continued use of those moral means which have already accomplished so much in the cause of Temperance.

Resolved, That these Resolutions be signed by the Moderator and Scribe, and transmitted to the Temperance Convention now sitting in Worcester.

These resolutions were *unanimously* adopted as the action of this Association, and Rev. Messrs. Hitchcock, Mann and Smith were appointed to proceed to Worcester and present them to the State Temperance Convention holding its session there.

Report on Charitable Contributions.

The committee appointed last year to consider the subject of Charitable Collections in our Churches, made the following Report, which was adopted, and ordered to be printed.

At a meeting of the General Association of Massachusetts, held at Wrentham June 1851, the following resolution was adopted, viz.

"*Resolved*, That a committee of five be appointed to inquire and report next year, whether any, and if so, what measures can be devised, to secure larger and more general contributions from our churches to the several objects of benevolence approved by this body, and at the same time diminish the expense of agency in collecting the aforesaid contributions."

In pursuance of this resolve, a letter was addressed to several Agents and Secretaries, of which the following is an extract.

It was not our intention "to displace or disturb to any great extent the present system of agency, but rather to see if the business of collecting funds for benevolent purposes might not be so systematised that *all* or *nearly all* the churches in our connection would contribute annually or as often as once in two years, to all the objects patronized by the Association; that instead of a rush of agents to the *larger churches*, the *smaller* churches might also be periodically visited, and that both the smaller and the larger churches might take collections spontaneously under the direction of their pastors, when it should not be

convenient for an agent to visit them. By some such plan, it is thought the smaller churches might be benefited, the larger ones saved from the annoyance of too frequent and irregular solicitations, the funds contributed considerably increased, the labor of collecting them diminished, and different agencies be brought to a better intelligence and harmony of action."

In accordance with these views, several of the Secretaries and Agents were requested to furnish the committee with a list of the churches which contributed to their objects, respectively, in 1851, stating how many contributed with, and how many without solicitation from an agent.

The Committee also held a conference with such of the Secretaries and Agents as they could get together for the purpose, and received important statements and suggestions from them.

There is manifestly in connection with our benevolent institutions a great evil to be corrected.

Some churches contribute almost nothing; others willing to give are overlooked by the collectors of funds, on account of pecuniary feebleness, and in the churches generally, too large a per centage of the collections is required to meet the expense of taking them. There is also too much confusion and inefficiency in this whole matter, resulting from want of system.

Without attributing blame to the managers of these institutions, who are as much troubled by the present state of things as ourselves, it must be confessed that the present mode of taking collections is too expensive. A remedy must be provided, or we expose our whole benevolent system to go by the board. Our churches exercise a prodigious power through the enginery of association. But if, by want of economy, we create dissatisfaction in our patrons, reaction will follow, and our hopes will be blighted.

We look for the remedy in the pastors themselves. It can come from no other quarter. Agents and managers of Societies may maintain the closest practicable economy, and yet the costs of collection will make disheartening inroads upon the amounts contributed. It is moreover the proper business of pastors to see that the churches under their care are provided with knowledge and with opportunities for wise action on these subjects. Nor is a Church ordered aright till its benevolence is brought into system.

Reform must be immediately attempted. Are we willing that our benevolent enterprises should be abandoned or crippled? Are we willing that a large per centage of our people's contributions should be expended in collecting? Must we not take a personal responsibility in this matter and act as agents in our own congregations?

It is the opinion of your committee, that *every Church* ought to do something *annually*, or as often as once in two years, for our prominent objects of christian benevolence. We do not except those Churches which are assisted by the Home Missionary Society; nor any Church which has in it so much as a single poor widow who wishes a partnership in the world's conversion by giving those "two mites which make a farthing."

Among the reasons why every Church should contribute something are the following:—

1. Every Church has a share in the gifts, commands and promises of the gospel.

2. Bringing these subjects before a people for contribution increases their knowledge of the religious state of the world, and deepens their interest in its conversion.

3. It strengthens their faith and gives fervor to their prayers.

4. It cultivates the spirit of benevolence, which is the spirit of Christ.

5. It increases self-respect, making the Christian conscious that he shares with his brethren in the work of the Lord, and thus elevates the feebler churches.

6. It makes it easier to support the gospel at home. If a pastor wishes to starve himself out, let him allow no contributions to be taken among his people for general objects.

Aside from the good accomplished abroad, we cannot afford to dispense with our Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Bible distributions, etc., *as means of grace at home.* They confer an incalculable benefit upon our churches, and no Church at this day can prosper without them.

If contributions ought to be taken in every Church, it is obvious that they must be taken, much of the time, without public agents. If each Benevolent Society employs a single collecting agent, he can visit each Church to *preach on the Sabbath*, only about once in five years. In the mean while pastors and churches must make their own collections.

Your committee are also of opinion, that the agency actually employed can be made more productive. Let the agent visit the churches throughout the Commonwealth *in rotation*—for the purpose of preaching on the Sabbath. This he can do about once in five years. Let him at these visits aim to make in the small churches, as well as in the large ones, a powerful impression. Indeed those churches which contribute least will demand most of the Agent's care. They must be brought into a giving state. If $10 were expended on such a Church one year and only $5 collected that year, the surplus of expenditure would prove in the end money well invested. But let him visit all the churches, as far as practicable, in rotation. At these visits let him wind up his five year clock, and direct the people in each religious society how to keep it going. If a system should be arranged by pastors, and ever Church should have its appointed times for taking collections, let the agent remember these times. Let him call on the pastor a little before the time arrives, remind him that the time for collection is at hand, furnish him with documents, call on some of the leading brethren, perhaps collect a meeting of friends, and present the case before them. This might be done on week days, and in two or three societies in the course of the week, preparatory to the collection on the Sabbath.

Your committee would not impose too heavy burdens upon agents. They are but men, many of them have families and must take care of them, and all of them need some time for rest and some time for study. But a good agent, like a good pastor, will expect to work in his calling, upon week days as well as Sabbath days, to the extent of his ability. And it gives us pleasure to learn how much some agents have accomplished by their week-day labors, and from their experience it is certain that such labors might be made very productive.

In any effort to systematize our benevolent operations, your committee think that while the large churches might be disposed to contribute annually to all the prominent objects, the smaller churches might make contributions to some of those objects once in two years. They think that two or three of the leading societies should receive, in *all cases*, an annual contribution, *even if the Church were so poor that its contribution should not amount to one dollar.* Other objects might alternate, one receiving patronage

one year, another the next. Or the churches might make any other profitable arrangement, only let it be an arrangement actually made and then adhered to. We think it better that the Societies should alternate, as suggested, than that two should be united. The Charters of these Societies, their local centres, and other circumstances will not allow, in most cases, the desired union.

Your committee are pleased to learn that in some parts of the Commonwealth systematic contributions have already been secured. In some parts of the State, and the same is true of some churches in other parts, contributions are as regular as the return of the seasons—and that too without much agency from abroad. In 1840 this subject was brought before the General Association, and an arrangement was made for collections in the different counties and Associations of the State. That arrangement is herewith presented. Your committee would neither attempt to make any improvement upon it, nor insist upon it as the best arrangement possible. It has never been carried out. Pastors and Associations, however, should they attempt to secure system in our benevolent operations, may derive assistance from the arrangement in question.

Having made these general statements, your committee would recommend to this body the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this Association hereby earnestly request each District Association, or Auxiliary Society, to take this subject of systematising the benevolent collections within its limits into consideration at its next meeting, and adopt some measures, (such as in their judgment may be best adapted to the locality in question,) which shall secure the object so much desired by us all.

Resolved, That every pastor be requested to bring this subject before the Church under his care, and obtain from it a *vote* (if expedient) as to what objects it will patronise by contributions, and at what times, and *inform the Agents of the Societies interested accordingly.*

Resolved, That every Secretary and Agent be requested to aid, by every means in his power, the perfecting of some such arrangement as has been proposed in this report.

Resolved, That the Secretaries and Agents be requested to make an annual return, to the Publishing Committee of this Association, on or before the last of May, of all

the Churches (alphabetically arranged) which have contributed to the object of which they have special charge, stating the sums given by each Church, and whether collected with or without the presence of an agent, and that the Publishing Committee be authorized to take measures for publishing the statistics thus obtained, provided they can do it without expense to the Association.

W. A. Stearns,
Erastus Maltby,
R. S. Storrs,
S. Sweetser,
A. L. Stone.

Place of next Meeting.

Voted, That the next meeting of this Body be held in the meeting-house of the Church in Yarmouth, Rev. Mr. Packard, Pastor.

Adjourned to 2 P. M.

2 P. M. After uniting in prayer with Rev. Mr. Blake, of Conn., the Association listened to reports of the state of Religion within the bounds of the Bodies represented in it.

Letters were also read from the General Association of Iowa, and the Congregational Union of Canada East.

Increase of Churches.

On motion of Rev. C. Mann,

Resolved, That the great increase of Evangelical churches in number and efficiency, within a few years past, demands devout gratitude to God, and a confident reliance in His future blessing upon these churches.

Adjourned to 7¾ o'clock.

7¾ *P. M.* Association listened to the sermon on Home Missions, from Acts v. 20, by Rev. C. S. Porter; after which a collection was taken up.

Adjourned to 8 A. M., tomorrow.

Thursday morning, 8 *o'clock.* After the calling of the roll and prayer by the Moderator, the minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Preacher on Home Missions.

Rev. Austin Phelps, of Andover Theological Seminary, was appointed first preacher on Home Missions before the Association for the next year; and Rev. M. P. Braman, of Danvers, his substitute.

Narrative of the State of Religion.

The narrative of the religious state of the Churches for the past year was read, adopted, and ordered to be printed with the Minutes.

Pastoral Address.

The Pastoral Address was reported and referred to the Publishing Committee, with power to omit at discretion, in order to bring it within proper limits for publication.

Delegates to Foreign Bodies.

The following appointments were made of delegates to Foreign Bodies in correspondence with us.

To the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (O. S.) next meeting in Philadelphia, 3d Tuesday of May, 1853:

Rev. W. A. Stearns,
Rev. W. I. Budington, } Primaries.
Rev. J. B. Waterbury, D. D.,
Rev. J. Emery, } Substitutes.

To the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (N. S.), next meeting in Buffalo, 3d Tuesday of May, 1853:

Rev. J. C. Paine.
Rev. E. Wells, } Primaries.
Rev. C. J. Hinsdale,
Rev. E. Hitchcock, D. D., } Substitutes.

To the General Conference of Maine, next meeting in Saco, 4th Tuesday of June, 1853:

Rev. C. Blodgett, } Primaries.
Rev. J. H. Merrill, }
Rev. B. Emerson, D. D., } Substitutes.
Rev. N. Munro, }

To the General Association of New Hampshire, next meeting in Pittsfield, 4th Tuesday of August, 1852:

Rev. W. H. Hayward, } Primaries.
Rev. D. Brigham, }
Rev. H. M. Dexter, } Substitutes.
Rev. L. Carey, }

To the General Convention of Vermont, next meeting in Brattleboro', 2d Tuesday of June, 1853:

Rev. C. Hitchcock, D. D., } Primaries.
Rev. J. Bates, D. D., }
Rev. H. Neill, } Substitutes.
Rev. M. Hopkins, D. D., }

To the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island, next meeting in Barrington, 2d Tuesday of June, 1853:

Rev. H. Bardwell, } Primaries.
Rev. H. James, }
Rev. J. M. Hoppin, } Substitutes.
Rev. E. Thurston, }

To the General Association of Connecticut, next meeting in Waterbury, 3d Tuesday of June, 1853:

Rev. T. P. Terry, } Primaries.
Rev. S. W. Hanks, }
Rev. N. Adams, D. D., } Substitutes.
Rev. H. M. Field, }

To the General Association of New York, next meeting in Canandaigua, 1st Wednesday of September, 1852:

Rev. J. W. Harding, } Primaries.
Rev. A. Foster, }
Rev. E. Maltby. } Substitutes.
Rev. J. H. Bisbee, }

To the General Association of Michigan, next meeting in Ann Arbor, 4th Tuesday of May, 1853:

Rev. C. S. Porter, } Primaries.
Rev. B. G. Northrop, }
Rev. D. Oliphant, } Substitutes.
Rev. J. J. Abbott, }

To the Presbyterian and Congregational Convention of Wisconsin, next meeting in Racine, 1st Thursday of October, 1852:

Rev. J. S. Clarke, D. D., Primary.
Rev. S. Wolcott, Substitute.

To the General Association of Illinois, next meeting in Quincy, 3d Thursday of May, 1853:

Rev. J. Nelson, D. D., Primary.
Rev. J. W. Ward, Substitute.

To the General Association of Iowa, next meeting in Mount Pleasant, 1st Wednesday of June, 1853:

Rev. E. Alden, Primary.
Rev. L. F. Dimmick, D. D., Substitute.

To the General Association of Oregon:

Rev. E. N. Kirk, Primary.
Rev. W. Barnes, Substitute.

To the Congregational Union of Canada East:

Rev. W. Child, D. D., } Primaries.
Rev. G. W. Bourne, }
Rev. E. Davis, D. D., } Substitutes.
Rev. G. P. Smith, }

To the Congregational Union of England and Wales:

Rev. E. Burgess, D. D., Primary.
Rev. J. A. Albro, D. D., Substitute.

At 9 A. M. adjourned one hour, for the purpose of permitting the members of the Association to avail themselves of the courteous invitation of Hon. Linus Child to visit some of the manufacturing establishments.

10 *o'clock*, *A. M.* Messrs. Crocker and Brewster were appointed Agents for the distribution of the Minutes of the present year.

Congregational Convention.

The following resolutions were presented and adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the proposed "National Congregational Convention" demands the earnest interest of the Congregational ministers and churches of Massachusetts.

Resolved, That we cordially concur in the action of the General Association of Connecticut, and in that of the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island, approving such a Convention.

Resolved, That this Association send a delegation of twenty-one ministers to that Convention, and recommend also to the District Associations to send delegates.

Delegates to the Congregational Convention.

The following clergymen were appointed as delegates:—

Rev. A. Blanchard,
Rev. M. Hopkins, D. D.,
Rev. J. Bates, D. D.,
Rev. L. F. Dimmick, D. D.,
Rev. Geo. C. Partridge,
Rev. S. Osgood, D. D.,
Rev. E. Davis, D. D.,
Rev. J. Woodbridge, D. D.,
Rev. E. Hitchcock, D. D.,
Rev. L. Griggs,
Rev. B. S. Northrop,
Rev. R. S. Storrs, D. D.,
Rev. A. Eldridge,
Rev. S. M. Worcester, D. D.,
Rev. I. P. Langworthy,
Rev. E. Beecher, D. D.
Rev. H. B. Hooker,
Rev. L. Whiting,
Rev. S. Sweetser,
Rev. P. Cooke, D. D.
Rev. J. Ide, D. D.,

Assessment.

The Committee on Accounts reported, and an assessment of fifty cents was laid upon each member of the District Associations, for the expenses of the coming year.

Overtures of Andover and Berkshire Associations.

The committee to whom were referred the overtures of last year from the Andover and Berkshire Associations, with the action of the District Associations upon the same, reported that no action was needed in the premises.

Mode of Selection of Delegates to Foreign Bodies.

Voted, That each District Association be requested to send annually to the General Association, for the use of the committee chosen to nominate delegates to Foreign Bodies, the names of two or more of their members who may be suitably appointed to represent this Association to Foreign bodies in correspondence with us.

Next Pastoral Letter.

Rev. Messrs. Hooker, Judkins and Wells, from the Vineyard Sound Association, were appointed a committee to prepare the next Pastoral Letter.

Several Agents representing Benevolent Societies were heard.

Inexpedient for this Association to hear Agents.

Whereas the business of this Association requires all the time placed at its disposal:

Resolved, That it is not expedient, under ordinary circumstances, to give attention to addresses from the representatives of benevolent societies.

Frequent Changes in the Ministry.

On motion of Dr. Waterbury,—

Resolved, In view of the unsettled state of the ministry in this Commonwealth, the frequent dissolution of the pastoral relation (in many cases without sufficient cause,) and the alarming consequences to our Zion from this source, a committee of five be appointed to investigate this subject, and report at the next annual meeting as to the causes and remedies of so great a practical evil.

Rev. E. Davis, D. D., Rev. J. B. Waterbury, D. D., Rev. Samuel Harris, Rev. C. S. Porter, and Rev. L. Sabin were appointed this committee.

The usual votes of thanks were passed: to the Church of Rev. Dr. Child and other friends in Lowell; to the Choir; to the "Mechanics Association," for the tender of the free use of their Reading-Room; to the Hon. Linus Child, for courtesies from the manufacturing establishments; and to the Moderator.

Adjourned until 2 P. M.

2 *o'clock, P. M.* The Association met and listened to a sermon by Rev. R. Crowell, D. D., from Proverbs vi. 23. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was then administered by the Moderator and Rev. Charles Fitch.

After prayer, the Association adjourned *sine die.*

JOHN WOODBRIDGE, *Moderator.*

H. M. DEXTER, *Scribe.*

HENRY NEILL, *Assistant Scribe.*

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

Reports from the District Associations shew that, during the past year, the God of Zion has spread over the churches of this Commonwealth the wing of his protecting love.

The tokens of good are seen in a general continued prosperity, in the erection of new houses of worship, and the enlargement of old ones to accommodate the increasing numbers of worshippers, in a general disposition to sustain the ministry, and to contribute to the various Benevolent Societies for the diffusion of the Gospel, in revivals of religion, whereby many, especially among the young, have been brought into the fold of Christ, in zeal for Sabbath Schools, and in an increasing interest in the cause of temperance. On the other hand, it would seem, as if to counter-balance this brighter view, we have as usual to mourn over Sabbath desecration, a spirit of increasing worldliness among professors of religion, a want of interest and self-denial in supporting the gospel, and the frequent dissolution of the pastoral relation for insufficient causes. There is thus a dark side as well as a bright side in the present phase of our Zion. It has been so hitherto. But the day is coming when, as the cry is heard of 'Watchmen what of the night?' the response will be, 'The morning cometh.' How shall this blessed consummation be hastened?

First, by a holy ministry—a consecration entire to the work on the part of those who bear the vessels of the Lord.

Secondly, by a deeper piety in the churches, walking with God, and co-operating with pastors in active efforts to save souls.

Thirdly, in a general and steady support of the ministry, eschewing that restlessness which seeks for a change of pastoral labors. By these means may we hope that the churches of the Commonwealth will grow and prosper, and send their influence even to the ends of the earth.

The voice of Providence, as usual, has spoken in solemn tones during the past year. The names of Stuart, Edwards, Rogers, Coggin, Dexter, Hazen, are embalmed in the affections of their brethren; and whilst their bright example should stimulate us to emulate their virtues, their departure should remind us of the importance of doing with our might what our hands find to do.

If called upon to record the merciful dealings of Heaven more particularly towards our churches, we might refer especially to the fact that in our Colleges and Seminaries God's Spirit has been present to convert and sanctify the young, and that in the metropolis and other portions of the State very interesting revivals of religion have been experienced, the fruits of which are being gathered into the churches. We gratefully recognize also the favorable tokens of God's providence in the Temperance cause, calling to our aid energetic legislation, so as to give the hope that the monster vice of intemperance will be greatly diminished, if not extirpated; and we would express the hope, that all the virtuous and the good will lend their influence to support a law designed to rid us of one of the greatest scourges of mankind.

Amid all the worldly excitement consequent upon the wonderful developement of new inventions, the augmentation of business, the increase of transportation, the feverish excitement of newly discovered lands, and rapid emigration, we still see an under-current of Providence, by which all these things are to subserve the great cause of our holy Religion and the coming of Christ's kingdom.

With renewed pleasure do we record the continued fraternal harmony which characterizes our relations with corresponding bodies. Receiving as we do from those branches of Christ's kingdom with whom we have long taken sweet counsel expressions of their confidence and esteem, we are bound to say that these sentiments are cordially reciprocated on our part towards them. Indeed there is a growing desire throughout our churches to preserve the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace.

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

Dear Brethren,—

It has been customary for this body annually to address the churches, with which it is connected, upon some important subject relating "to the general interest of religion." Allow us then, on this occasion, to direct your thoughts to the duty of *considering* the important position in which you stand to the world. When Christ said to his followers, "Ye are the salt of the earth; ye are the light of the world; a city that is set on an hill cannot be hid," he meant to lead them to reflection upon the character which they sustained, the circumstances in which God had placed them, and the duties and consequences resulting from their peculiar position. He knew that while neglectful of these things, they must of course be unmindful of many other facts which they ought not to overlook or forget. This is equally true of you, Brethren, and of all other Christians at the present day. If you forget your character and standing, as the disciples of Christ, and subjects of his spiritual kingdom, darkness and confusion of mind, indefiniteness and inefficiency of conduct will most certainly be the result.

You cannot, Brethren, know with whom or with what you have to *contend*, unless you consider well your position. You can have no adequate conception of the number, the malice, or the power of your enemies. If you are true Christians, you belong to a body with which Satan and all the powers of darkness are at war. The object which excites the highest indignation of this grand adversary, as well as that of wicked men,—against which they

indulge the most implacable malice, and for the injury or destruction of which they are laboring with the most untiring effort, is *that kingdom* of which you are all members. On account of your connection with this body, "Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat." For the same reason the world are in arms against you. "If ye were of the world, the world would love his own; but because ye are not of the world, but Christ hath chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you." Whenever, therefore, you would know who your enemies are, or admonish yourselves of their number or their power, look at them from the elevated position in which Christ has placed you as members of His Church. And while you avail yourselves of this advantageous survey of the mighty host encamped against you, remember that you cannot yourselves avoid their minutest inspection. Instead of a position which conceals you from their view, and guards you from their attacks, you stand upon an elevation where you cannot be hid. You occupy a position in full view of your enemies, in which your strength and your weakness, your means of defence and exposure to attack, are distinctly seen, and from which all your movements are closely and constantly watched. As subjects of Christ's kingdom, you must meet the enemy in the open field. You are not permitted to fight in ambush, or to achieve your victories by stratagem. It must be seen that those whom you conquer have had a fair chance in the battle-field, and enjoyed all the advantages which truth and honesty, openness and candor, on your part, could give them. This is essential to the glory of your victory.

Again, Brethren, you cannot know the number or the value of your *friends*, unless you seriously consider your position as the subjects of Christ's spiritual kingdom. Your union with him, and connection with the great body of the redeemed, makes you objects not only of His love and that of his Father, but of the affection and delight of all the saints both in earth and in heaven, to whom you are, or shall be known. In their prayers for the coming and kingdom of their Lord, are included the most fervent aspirations for your increase in holiness and enjoyment of God. Their efforts for the conversion of sinners, and for the increase and glory of the Church, are all tending to those results by which your own highest good will be

secured. Christ, in his intercession for his people at the right hand of God, is praying for you; and in the light of divine truth, and in the gift of the Holy Ghost given in answer to his intercession, will your spiritual, if not your temporal interest be promoted. In the movements of his providence against the foes of Zion will all your enemies be slain. In the dispensations of his grace, by which his Church shall be enlarged, and her glory displayed, you will be partakers in her triumphs and her joys. God looks upon you, and feels towards you, not merely as you are in yourselves, sanctified but in part, and defiled by innumerable sins, but as united to Christ, members of his body the Church, whom he is determined "to sanctify and cleanse by the washing of water by the word, that he may present it to himself a glorious Church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that it may be holy and without blemish." The same great and precious promises which secure the final triumph and glory of the Church, all reach you as members of this body, and the same Almighty arm is stretched out for your defence, which is to establish, and perpetuate, and glorify the kingdom of Christ. Consider these things, Brethren, and let them inspire you with new hope and courage and resolution in the service of your Lord.

Unless you consider well the position to which God has elevated you, Brethren, you can have no adequate conception of your *responsibility*. So long as you act under the impression that you are your own keepers only, that your conduct is to affect yourselves alone, that the extent of your obligation is the sphere in which your own intellectual and moral improvement is to be sought, and your own temporal and eternal welfare secured, you must necessarily have but a very imperfect idea of your responsibility. But if you keep in mind the fact that you are, as Christ affirms, "the salt of the earth, and the light of the world," you cannot escape a conviction of your duty to regard the character and condition of *others*, as well as your own. If God has shed upon you the light of truth and holiness, and thus given you an influence which may extend its saving effects through the earth, and you are mindful of this fact, you will feel a *responsibility* in regard to the condition of the world. In view of "the darkness which covers the earth, and the gross darkness of the people," the duty of letting your light shine before men in

all possible ways, and to every possible extent, must deeply impress your minds.

Some of your most important duties arise from the *circumstances* in which God has placed you. These, in all their variety and extent, you will not perceive unless you attentively consider your position; nor will you feel the weight and power of the motives by which you ought to be influenced to perform these duties. How can you be sufficiently grateful for what God has done for you, if you do not consider what this is? How can you ever feel that deep humility, or self-abasement, which becomes you as ransomed sinners, unless you see, in contrast with the depths of sin into which you were fallen, the glorious height to which his special grace has elevated you. What will tend so powerfully to influence you to put on the whole armor of God, the girdle of truth, the breast-plate of righteousness, the shield of faith, the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit which is the word of God, as the thought, that the great adversary of Christ and his Church is your personal enemy, and that his most determined hostility to you has its origin in your connection with them? It is your duty "to seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness." Now if you do not consider the nature of this kingdom; if you allow yourselves to remain ignorant of its spiritual nature, and pre-eminent importance; especially if you overlook your own connection with it, and the obligations which grow out of this connection, how can it be expected that you will fully discharge this duty?

Besides, Brethren, if you overlook, or underrate your connection with the Church of God, you will be very likely to mistake the proper *instrumentalities* of doing good, as well as neglect the performance of your duties. Indeed, the neglect of duty is, *always*, a failure in respect to the best means of doing good. A faithful discharge of his obligations is essential to the highest usefulness of every man. But the important fact of which we would here remind you is, that your position as the disciples of Christ, and members of his body the Church, gives you peculiar *facilities* for doing good. This is a divinely appointed institution for the reformation and salvation of the world. It is in reality, and should be in form, so far as this would increase its efficiency, a society for the promotion of every good work; for the relief of the poor, for the

distribution of the Scriptures, for the maintenance of the gospel at home, and its extension abroad, for the education of a competent ministry, for the promotion of temperance, for the reformation of morals, and for the security of human rights in all their various forms. We object not to the formation of other societies for the promotion of any, or all of these good objects, by those who are *not* members of the Church; nor do we think it wrong for professors of religion to *unite* in sustaining *other* societies for the attainment of these great ends, when the circumstances of the case evidently call for their aid. But we *do* think it of great importance that these works of righteousness be considered as a part of the appropriate business of the Church, and among the means by which the great end of its organization is to be secured. Do not, Brethren, cherish for a moment the false notion, that there are, or can be other institutions better suited to do good than that which God has appointed for this express purpose. Aim to attain a higher degree of sanctification yourselves, and constantly exert your influence for the increased purity of the Church. Be always active for the good of the Church, never against it. Recognize it as God's instrumentality for the removal of sin, and the promotion of holiness in the world; and ever keep in mind the fact, that whatever tends to substitute holiness in the place of sin is the most important agency conceivable for ridding the world of the evil of the one, and filling it with the blessings of the other. While you honor the Church of God by an acknowledgement of its divine origin, and aim to render it instrumental of accomplishing the great end of its organization, you may expect his blessing will attend your efforts to do good, and render them effectual. It is of unspeakable importance, not only to do the very things which God requires, but to attempt their accomplishment by the means, which, in the exercise of his wisdom and goodness, he has appointed.

It may not be improper, Brethren, here to add, that an habitual and serious reflection upon the circumstances in which God has placed you, will contribute not a little to your own spiritual enjoyment. Connected as you are with the kingdom of Christ on earth, the facts which relate to your position are among the most interesting subjects of thought to which the human mind can be directed. The love of God to a perishing world; the redemption of

sinners by the blood of Christ; the affecting contrast made between the present and former condition of saints by the renovating influence of the Holy Spirit; the promise of persevering grace and strength according to their day, which God has given them; their agency in the conversion of the world, the ultimate and complete triumph of that cause which they have espoused, and the glorious inheritance in heaven to which all the faithful in Christ are entitled; are among the subjects which will naturally occur to your minds whenever you consider the position in which the grace of God has placed you. Your serious reflection upon these and their associated subjects, will deepen your humility, increase your faith, strengthen your hopes, quicken your zeal, inspire you with new courage in the service of your divine Master, and greatly multiply and heighten your spiritual enjoyments.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

General Association of Massachusetts, in account with E. DAVIS, *Treasurer.*

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June 1851.	Balance in Treasury,		$70 45
" 1852.	Received from District Associations,		106 00
			$176 45

Contra, Dr.

June 27, 1851.	Paid J. S. Clark, for expense of completing Minutes of 1850,	$2 52		
Sept. 9, "	Paid Crocker and Brewster, for postage on 527 Minutes,	15 81		
" "	Freight on Connecticut Minutes,	38		
June, 1852.	Paid Crocker and Brewster, for printing, paper, and doing up 1,000 Minutes for 1851, etc.	136 75		
" "	Secretary's travelling expenses,	6 50		
" "	Paid J. S. Clark, for expense of completing Minutes of 1851,	2 37	—164 33	
	Balance in the Treasury,			$12 12

We have examined the Treasurer's accounts, and find them correct.

E. W. ALLEN, }
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STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

Arranged in the Alphabetical order of the several District Associations.

N. B. The columns denoting Churches, Ministers, and date of Settlement, correspond with the facts as they were supposed to exist when the last meeting of the General Association was held, June, 1852. The number of Communicants is reported for 1st January preceding. The Admissions, Removals, and Baptisms, are designed to cover the year 1851. The Sabbath Schools and Bible Classes embrace both teachers and pupils who usually attend these exercises. In a *few* instances the number of church members has been supplied from the returns of the previous year,—though not till all reasonable efforts have failed to secure the present number.

1. ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.			Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Andover, South,	Oct. 17, 1711	J. L. Taylor,	July 18, 1839	104	319	423	75	6	4	10	9	9		18	2	5	300
" West,	Dec. 5, 1826	C. H. Pierce,	Oct. 9, 1850	73	149	222	35	36	1	37	1	3		4	16	10	240
" North,	Sept. 3, 1834	W. T. Briggs,	Nov. 4, 1846	16	53	69		5	4	9	1	3		4	2	9	135
" Theol. Sem.		R. Emerson, D. D.															
Chelmsford, North,	April 27, 1824	B. F. Clark,	Aug. 1, 1839	33	55	88	15	6	2	8		2		2	5		90
Dracut, 1st Evan. ch.	1721	G. W. Thompson,	Stated supply.	28	60	88	15		2	2	1			1	1		60
" West,	Aug. 31, 1797	B Emerson,	June 5, 1850	30	60	90			1	1	1			1		8	125
" East,	1835	J. Merrill,	Stated supply.	13	23	36			2	2	1			1			65
Lawrence, 1st ch.	April 19, 1847	H. M. Storrs,	Jan. 15, 1852	52	69	121	14	18	31	49	1	8		9			140
" Central ch.	Dec. 25, 1849	W. C. Foster,	Jan. 16, 1852	23	34	57	10	1	1	2		6		6			75
Lowell, 1st ch.	June 6, 1826	W. Child, D. D.	Oct. 1, 1845	68	700	768	400	6	7	13	2	17		19	4	6	350
" Appleton-st. c.	Dec. 2, 1831	Vacant,		150	250	400	175	1	6	7		13		13			189
" John-st. ch.	May 9, 1839	S. W. Hanks,	March 20, 1840	96	381	477		7	5	12	2	9		11	2	3	450
" Kirk-st. ch.	May 21, 1845	A Blanchard,	May 21, 1845	65	200	265	35	9	5	14	2	17		19	3		325
" High-st. ch.	1846	J. H. Towne,	Dec. 15, 1847	42	115	157											160
Methuen,	Oct. 29, 1729	J. C. Phillips,	Dec. 25, 1839	64	145	209		5		5	2	2		4	1	3	188
Total, 16		14		717	913	1630		100	71	171	23	89		112			

2. BERKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.			Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.			Baptisms		Sab bath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad	Inf.	School.
Adams, North,	April 19, 1826	R. Crawford,	Aug. 20, 1840	59	153	212	56		2	2	3	14		17		2	150
" South,	Jan. 1, 1840	J. Jay Dana,	June 15, 1848	23	54	77	20	2	10	12		2		2			100
Alford,	Aug. 13, 1846	T. Woodbridge, D. D.	Stated supply.	9	17	26			6	6	1						40
Becket, 1st ch.	Dec. 28, 1758	Z Whitmore,		67	120	187											87
" North,	Sept. 25, 1849	C. H. Norton,		28	34	62		20	4	24							
Dalton,	Dec. 16, 1785	O. M. Sears,	Sept. 29, 1847	30	57	87	8	4	3	7	3	3		6	1	3	60
Egremont,	Nov. 22, 1816	E. Clark,	Jan 7, 1851	22	54	76		3	1	4	1	4		5	3	2	45
Great Barrington,	Dec. 28, 1743	S. S. N Greelev,	Dec. 1851	62	151	213			1	1	1	8		9			160
Hinsdale,	Dec. 17, 1795	P. K. Clark,	Pastor elect.	71	128	199											275
Housatonic,	June, 1841	R. G. E. Humphreys,	Pastor elect.	45	89	134											47
Lanesboro',	March 28, 1764	Vacant,		23	32	55											88
Lee,	May 25, 1780	S. D. Clark,	June 12, 1851	116	207	323	65	13	11	24	7	15		22		12	150
Lenox,	1769	H. Neill,	Aug. 26, 1846	76	143	219		1	1	2	2	2		4	1	2	123
Monterey,	Sept. 25, 1750	S. Howe,	July 24, 1844	34	61	95					2	1		3			100
New Marlboro', North	Oct. 31, 1744	—— Searl,	Stated supply.	44	105	149		2	1	3	3	7		10			100
" Southfield	April 25, 1794	O. Lombard,	June 14, 1849	22	51	73	12	4		4	3			3	2	4	50
Otis,	June 5, 1810	H. A. Austin,	Stated supply	35	70	105	17				2			2			90
Peru,	June, 1770	J Knight,	July 6, 1836	68	99	167	3		3	3	4	1		5		2	210
Pittsfield, 1st,	Feb. 7, 1764	J. Todd, D. D.	Feb. 16, 1842	189	435	624		3	9	12		29				7	350
" (colored,)	1847	S. Harrison,	Aug. 13, 1850	5	5	10			2	2	2	1		3	1	1	40
" South,	Nov. 12, 1850	S. Harris,	March 12, 1851	59	109	168	9	9	38	47	1	8		9	2	4	175
Richmond,	1765	E L. Clark,	Jan. 20, 1838	21	45	66	5				2	2		4		2	30
Sandisfield,	1756	A. Pickett,		68	180	248											175
Sheffield,	Oct. 22, 1735	Vacant,		49	180	229		2	1	3	3	2		5		4	153
Stockbridge,	1734	A. H. Dashiell, Jr.	Dec. 11, 1850	72	147	219	40	14	5	19	8	5		13	5	18	130
" Curtisville,	Dec. 22, 1824	W. H. Phelps,	Nov. 6, 1849	19	43	62	16	1	1	2	2	2		4		4	105
Washington,	1772	J. N. Lincoln,	Stated supply.	11	31	42	9				2	2		4		1	40
W. Stockbridge, Cen.	June, 4, 1789	S. Bryant,	Nov. 30, 1842	32	51	83	10		2	2	2	5		7		2	102
" Village,	1832	N. Lasell,	May 15, 1850	56	64	119		1	4	5	1	6		7		4	120
Williamstown,	1765	A. Peters, D. D.	Nov. 10, 1844	108	197	305	16				2	7		9		6	170
" South,	1837	Vacant,		15	41	56											50
" College,	June 15, 1834	M. Hopkins, D. D.		35		35		22	7	29		6		6	9		
Windsor,	1772	C. Peabody,	Stated supply.	17	30	47	25	3	1	4		1		1	1	1	100
Austerlitz,		S. Utley,	June, 1848	17	56	73		2	2	4	1		2	3		1	24
Canaan, 4 corn., N. Y.		J. Wickes,	Dec. 6, 1848	36	69	105	20	3		3		1		1	2	2	60
New Concord, N. Y.	Jan. 6, 1835	T. S. Brown,	Stated supply	31	45	76		2		2	2		1	3	8		30
Total, 36		33		1674	3348	5022		111	115	226	60	134	3	197			

Without Pastoral Charge.—James Bradford, Sheffield; Josiah W. Turner, Gen. Agent Tract Soc., Maine; Wellington H. Tyler, Principal of Young Ladies' Institute, Pittsfield; Platt T. Holly, Teacher, Winstead, Con; Rufus Pomeroy, Otis; Ebenezer Jennings, Dalton; Russel S. Cook. Sec. Am. Tract Soc., New York; Thomas A. Hall, Lee; Ebenezer B. Andrews. Prof. Marietta College. Ohio; Bancroft Fowler and Noah Sheldon, Stockbridge; George R. Entler and Heman Humphrey, D. D., Pittsfield; Dwight W. Marsh, Missionary, Mosul, Turkey; James A. Hazen, Teacher, Williamstown; Marshall D. Sanders, Missionary, Ceylon; Chester Fitch, Lenox; Prof. J. Alden, D. D., of Williams College.

3. BREWSTER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Chatham,	June 15, 1710	Vacant,		42	121	163	21				2			2		2	180
Eastham,	1646	E. Chace,	Stated supply.	12	29	41	2				1			1		1	35
Harwich,	Nov. 12, 1744	M. H. Wilder,	Dec. 10, 1851	31	79	110	11		3	3	2	2	3	7			120
Orleans,	1719	J. White,	June 1, 1841	38	99	137	6				6	3		9		1	250
Provincetown,	1714	O. Myrick,	Feb. 18, 1846	8	30	38			5	5	1	1		2		3	60
South Dennis,	June 16, 1807	Vacant,		40	82	122	6				3	1	1	5		1	240
Truro,	Nov. 1, 1711	E. W. Noble,	Dec. 26, 1849	35	71	106		3		3	4	2		6		4	132
" North,	June 25, 1840	S. J. M. Lord,	Stated supply.	7	21	28	4				3	2		5			75
Wellfleet,	1730	S. Bristol,	Stated supply.	84	166	240		44	1	45	5	1		6	25	3	300
" South,	Dec. 4, 1833	E. Dow,	Stated supply.	43	57	100					6			6			112
Yarmouth,	1639	A. K. Packard,	Dec. 16, 1851	29	75	104	12									3	120
" West,	Sept. 30, 1840	J. H. Wells,	March 5, 1851	7	42	49		1		1	1	1		2	1	3	60
Total, 12		10		386	862	1234	62	48	9	57	33	13	4	51	26	24	1684

Without Pastoral Charge.—N. Cogswell, Yarmouth; E. Pratt, Brewster; E. W. Tucker, Milton.

4. BRIDGEWATER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
E. Bridgewater, Tr. ch	Nov. 14, 1849	B. Sanford,	April 3, 1850	16	21	37			1	1						4	75
Bridgewater,—																	
Trin. Con. ch	Oct. 17, 1821	D. Brigham,	April 23, 1845	35	65	100	7		5	5	1	3		3		1	150
" Scotland ch.	July 4, 1836	D. D. Tappan,	Stated supply.	7	23	30	2										38
Middleboro', 1st ch.	Dec. 26, 1694	I. W. Putnam,	Oct. 28, 1835	45	145	190		2	9	11	6	1		7	8		
" North,	Feb. 4, 1743	T. E. Bliss,	June 3, 1852	41	100	141					2						140
" West,	Oct. 6, 1725	C. Chapman,	Oct 22, 1851	56	93	149		1		1	4				1		
Total, 6		6		200	447	647	9	3	15	18	13	4		10	9		

Without Pastoral Charge.—Otis Thompson, North Abington; Ebenezer Gay, Bridgewater; Stetson Raymond, Bridgewater; Enoch Sandford, Raynham.

5. BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Brimfield,	1725	Jason Morse,	Dec. 12, 1849	51	148	199	30	4	2	6	2	3		5	1	4	200
Brookfield,	April 15, 1756	Micah Stone,	March 11, 1801	30	54	84	21				1	6		7			123
Charlton,	April, 1761	John Haven,	Stated supply.	20	77	97		3	3	6	2	2		4	3	3	120
Dana, (Storrsville,)	Nov. 1836	Vacant,		9	35	44	8										140
Dudley,	1732	Joshua Bates, D. D.	March 22, 1843	39	84	123	13	10	2	12	3	2		5	5	3	100
Hardwick,	Nov. 17, 1736	Vacant,		39	70	100		4	3	7	1	3		4	1		75
Holland,	Sept. 13, 1765	Alvah C Paige,	Dec. 1851	14	33	47											50
New Braintree,	April 18, 1754	John Fiske, D. D.	Oct. 26, 1796	33	56	119	19	1	3	4	3	6		9		4	125
North Brookfield,	May 28, 1752	{ Thomas Snell, D. D. { C. Cushing,	June 27, 1798 1851	63	142	205	16	5	6	11	4	4		8	2	6	375
Oakham,	Aug. 28, 1767	James Kimball,	Dec 25, 1832	83	152	235	57		4	4	5	9	2	16		6	300
Southbridge,	Sept. 16, 1801	Eber Carpenter,	Dec. 1, 1835	52	117	169	25	2	3	5	3	5	2	10	2	2	200
Sturbridge,	Sept. 29, 1736	Vacant,		85	213	298	70	2	1	3	6	5		11			250
Ware,	May 9, 1757	David N. Coburn,	Sept. 21, 1842	43	86	129	19			19	4	4	1	9		6	130
" Village,	April 12, 1826	T. G. Colton.	Sept. 3, 1852	72	142	214	14	1	3	4	4	15		19		3	
Warren,	1743	Vacant,		44	106	150	22	1		1	6	1		7		7	200
West Brookfield,	Oct. 1717	Vacant,		75	147	222	42										250
Spencer,	May 17, 1744	Levi Packard,	June 19, 1826	31	77	108	12		5	5		4		9		2	180
Total, 17		13		774	1739	2513		33	35	68	49	59	5	113			

Without Pastoral Charge.—Moses Miller and W. A. Nichols, Brookfield.

6. ESSEX NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.		Ministers.	Settled.		Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms		Sabbath
						Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	◦ th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad	Int.	School
Amesbury, Mills,	Dec. 6,	1831	R. King,		1850	70	140	210											175
" West,	May 19,	1726	A. Paine,	Sept. 7,	1848	53	131	184		7	4	11	4	2		6	1	3	150
" and Salisbury,	Oct. 14,	1835	J. M. Bacon,	June 25,	1851	20	52	72	6	10	5	15		3	2	5	7		100
Boxford, West,	Dec. 9,	1732	C. E. Park,	Oct. 14,	1846	18	42	60					1			1			70
Bradford, 1st ch.	Dec. 27,	1682	N. Munroe,	Feb. 10,	1836	62	182	194											240
" 2d ch.	Jan. 7,	1728	G. B. Perry, D. D.	Sept. 14,	1814	67	93	160											140
Georgetown,	Oct.	1732	{ Isaac Braman,	June 7,	1797														
			{ J. M. Prince,	Feb 3,	1847	56	105	162	9	2		2	4	4		8	1	1	250
Haverhill, Centre,	Aug. 28,	1833	B. F. Hosford,	May 21,	1845	61	111	172	25	8	9	17	4	3	4	11	5	5	160
" North,	Nov. 4,	1730	David Oliphant,	Stated supply.		20	48	68		12			2		1	3	4	5	55
" East,		1743	Wales Lewis,	July 18,	1849	9	18	27	2				1						40
" West,	Oct.	1735	Abijah Cross,	May 18,	1831	42	71	113	9				3	5		8		2	140
" Union Ev. ch	May 13,	1839	E. J. Comings,	Stated supply		35	42	77	7	6	2	8	2		1	3	2	2	115
Ipswich, 1st ch.		1634	{ D. T. Kimball,	Oct. 8,	1806														
			{ R. Southgate,	July 24,	1851	51	150	201	8	1	3	4	3	8		11		1	150
" Linebrook,	Nov. 15,	1749	W. Holbrook,	Stated supply.		27	30	57	3	3	2	5	1	1		2	2	1	75
Newbury, 1st ch	June,	1635	L. Withington, D. D.	Oct. 30,	1816	45	115	160											150
" Byfield ch.	Nov. 17,	1706	F. V. Tenney,	March 7,	1850	47	66	113		2	2	4	7			7	1	2	140
Newburyp't, Belleville	April,	1808	D. T. Fiske,	Aug. 18,	1847	52	106	158	8		3	3	2			2		1	140
" North ch.	Jan.	1768	L. F. Dimmick, D. D.	Dec. 8,	1819	63	287	350			1	1	10				10		200
" Temple-st. ch	May 30,	1793	R. Campbell,	Oct. 12,	1837	66	161	227		4	2	6		8	2	10			165
" Whitefield ch	Jan. 1,	1850	S. J. Spaulding,	June 30,	1851	28	87	115		11	19	30	2	3		3	2	1	170
Rowley,	Dec. 3,	1639	John Pike,	Nov. 18,	1840	40	115	155											110
Salisbury, Hill,	Nov. 19,	1718	B. Sawyer,	Stated supply.		18	44	62											90
W. Newbury, 1st ch.	Oct. 26,	1698	Vacant,			15	43	52											90
" 2d ch.	Sept. 1,	1751	J. Q. A. Edgell,	Sept. 19,	1832	52	112	164	14	3		3	3	3	1	7	2	1	120
Total, 24			25			1018	2301	3319		69	51	120	40	40	11	97			

7. ESSEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851			Removed 1851.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males	Fem	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Danvers, 2d ch.	Jan. 25, 1713	J. D Butler,	Feb 26, 1851	70	187	257		7	2	9	7	2		9	2	5	180
" 3d ch.	Dec. 5, 1844	James Fletcher,	June 20, 1849	23	60	83	4	5	1	6		2		2	1	5	167
Essex,	Sept. 6, 1681	R. Crowell, D. D.	Aug. 10, 1814	50	101	151	8		3	3						1	203
Gloucester, Harbor,	Nov. 17, 1829	James Aiken,	Nov. 22, 1848	23	106	129	15	3		3	1	5		6	2	10	120
" North,	Aug. 25, 1830	Edwin Seabury,	Stated supply.	13	25	38		2		2					1		75
" West,	March 23, 1829	Levi Wheaton,	Jan. 23, 1850	10	30	40	3	1		1	2	3		5	1	1	70
Hamilton,	Oct. 12, 1714	J. H. Mordough,	June 12, 1850	51	102	156	14				1			1		2	150
Ipswich, South,	Aug. 22, 1747	Daniel Fitz,	June 28, 1826	48	163	211		5		5	6			6	1	6	150
Lynnfield,	1715	U. W. Condit,	Oct 23, 1850	7	30	37	1				1			1			75
Manchester,	Nov. 7, 1716	Rufus Taylor,	May 6, 1852	77	182	259	20	2	2	4	6	1		7		3	286
Middleton,	Oct. 22, 1729	J. A Hood,	Jan. 2, 1850	56	127	183	31	3		3	3			3	1	5	140
Rockport,	Feb. 13, 1755	W. Gale,	May 4, 1836	131	202	333			2	2	4			4		10	342
Salem, Crombie-st.	May 3, 1832	J. M. Hoppin,	March 27, 1850	51	168	219		1	5	6	5	2		7	1	2	150
" Howard-st.	Dec. 29, 1803	Vacant,		20	66	86		1	2	8	1	9	1	11			150
" Third ch.	Feb 15, 1775	{ B. Emerson, D D. J E Dwinell,	April 21, 1805 Nov 22, 1849	92	265	357		10	2	22	6	2		8	5	2	400
Total, 15		15		725	1814	2539	96	50	19	69	43	26	1	70	15	52	2658

Without Pastoral Charge.—David Tilton and Alexander J. Sessions.

8. FRANKLIN ASSOCIATION

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	P. of	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Ex	Tot.	Ad.	Im.	School.
Ashfield,	Feb. 22, 1763	Wm. H. Gilbert,	Dec. 3, 1851	65	115	180	15	3	4	7	3	3		6	1	6	250
Bernardston,	Jan. 13, 1824	Charles Kendall,	Jan. 24, 1844	24	32	56	14	1	3	4	1	9		10	1	1	60
Buckland,	Oct. 1785	Asa B. Smith,	March 22, 1848	71	122	193	18	20	5	25	5	6	1	12	5	6	200
Charlemont, East,	Aug 6, 1845	Aaron Foster,	Feb. 13, 1850	23	53	76	12	1		1	2	2		4		2	120
" West,	June 6, 1788	Vacant,		32	60	92	5		2	2	3			3			130
Colerain,	1750	Cyrus W. Allen,	Feb. 28, 1849	14	35	49	9	1	1	2	1			1			100
Conway,	July 14, 1768	George M. Adams,	Sept. 18, 1851	118	222	340	30		17	17	7	8		15		4	300
Deerfield,	June 2, 1835	Alfred E Ives,	Sept. 5, 1849	27	55	82	2	3	1	4	2	4		6	1	4	110
" South,	June 30, 1818	Moses K. Cross,	Sept. 4, 1850	28	54	82	6		5	5	2	1		3		6	100
" Monument ch.	Jan. 25, 1818	David A. Strong,	March 21, 1849	27	52	79	5	7	13	20	2	1		3	3	12	100
Erving,	Sept. 19, 1832	Vacant,		8	12	20	8				1			1			25
Gill,	1793	{ Josiah W. Canning, { Edward F. Brooks,	Sept. 25, 1839 / June 25, 1851	8	33	41	5		1	1						3	50
Greenfield, 1st,	March 28, 1751	A Chandler, D. D.	Oct. 24, 1832	6	16	22		1		1	3	2		5	1	4	125
" 2d,	Jan. 15, 1817	George C. Partridge,	April 18, 1848	54	108	162	31		10	10		5		5		10	
Hawley, East,	Sept. 16, 1793	Henry Seymour,	Oct. 3, 1849	33	60	93	6	2	4	6	2			2	1	2	140
" West,	Aug. 24, 1825	John Eastman,	Nov. 11, 1847	24	39	63	5									4	90
Heath,	April 15, 1785	Alpheus Graves,	June 18, 1851	37	89	126	10	1	7	8	7	1		8		6	154
Montague,	1752	James H. Merrill,	Nov. 26, 1839	42	87	129	8	3	1	4	1	3		4	1	4	200
New Salem, North,	Nov. 10, 1824	Vacant,		7	12	19	2										
Northfield,	Nov. 30, 1825	Charles E. Bruce,	Stated supply.	21	41	62	15										60
Orange, (Irvingsville,)	Oct. 13, 1837	Vacant,		6	7	13	5										
" North,	Aug. 16, 1843	Benjamin F. Clarke,	Stated supply.	9	21	30	2	5		5					2	1	40
" South,	Sept. 23, 1846	Vacant,		17	37	54		7		7	1			1	6		125
Rowe,	April 10, 1833	Jeremiah Pomroy,	Stated supply	8	13	21	4					1		1			25
Shelburne,	1770	{ T. Packard, D. D. { T. Packard, Jr.	Feb. 20, 1799 / March 12, 1828	48	82	130	14		1	1	5	4		9		3	250
" Falls,	March 6, 1850	George F. Bronson,	Feb. 19, 1851	30	47	77			14	14						2	115
Shutesbury,	1740	James Tisdale,	Stated supply	11	29	40	7									1	60
Sunderland,	1718	Henry B. Hosford,	May 28, 1850	99	153	252	5	6	16	22	5	5		10	2	12	200
Warwick,	June 10, 1829	Roger C. Hatch,	Dec. 23, 1835	12	45	57										2	60
Wendell,	Nov. 30, 1774	N. S. Dickinson,	May, 26, 1847	22	51	76	7		2	2	3		2	5		1	100
Total, 30		27		931	1785	2716	250	61	107	168	56	55	4	114	24	96	

Without Pastoral Charge.—Horatio Flagg, Colerain; Eli Moody, and Samuel Bradford, Montague; Samuel Ware, Shelburne; John Furguson, Whately.

9. HAMPDEN EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851			Removed 1851.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	Dth	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Chicopee, 1st,	Sept. 1752	E. B. Clark,	Oct. 16, 1839	34	53	87	11	1	3	4	3			3	1	2	85
" 2d,	July 3, 1830	Wm. Wright,	Feb. 25, 1852	34	101	135	14		1	1	1						150
" 3d,	Oct. 16, 1834	G A. Oviatt,	Oct. 15, 1850			190		31	16	47	5	12		17			250
Longmeadow,	Oct. 17, 1716	J. W. Harding,	Jan. 1, 1850	59	122	181	12	8	3	11	2	3		5	2	1	100
" East,	1831	Vacant,		31	77	108	24				3	3		6		2	70
Ludlow, 1st ch.	1789	J. W. Tuck,	Sept. 6, 1843	65	97	162	18				4	1		5		3	200
" Jenksville,	June 6, 1847	E. B. Wright,	Stated supply.	6	9	15	4		2	2	1	1		2			60
Monson,	May 22, 1762	{ A. Ely, D. D. C. B. Kittredge,	Dec. 1806 Oct. 1846	125	214	339	70	19	5	24	7	10	1	18	9	4	200
Palmer, 1st ch.	1730	Sylvester Hine,	Nov. 19, 1851	31	66	97	7				1	6		7		3	130
" 2d ch.	April 1, 1847	Thomas Wilson,	March 1, 1848	28	59	87	5	5	2	7					2	1	75
Springfield, 1st ch.	1645	S. Osgood, D. D.	Jan. 25, 1809	180	290	470	55	6	5	11	6	4			1	10	200
" Hill,	1833	Samuel W. Strong,	March 27, 1850	50	105	155	42	1	5	6	2	7		7		2	101
" North ch.	1846	R. H Seely,	March 1, 1849	44	74	118	4	4	15	19	2	10		12	1	5	175
" South ch.	March 23, 1842	S. G. Buckingham,	June 16, 1847	98	169	267	23	16	20	36	2	18		20	5	8	225
Wilbraham, North,	June, 1741	John Bowers,	Dec. 13, 1837	79	131	210	60	3	3	6	4	2		6	3	2	110
" South,	1784	H. Beebe,	April 19, 1848	16	60	76					1			1		3	110
Total, 16		16		910	1626	2697		94	80	174	44	77	1	109			

10. HAMPDEN WEST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1452.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	Dth	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Au.	Inf.	School.
Blandford,	1735	C. J. Hinsdale,	Jan. 20, 1636	38	78	116		1	2	3	2	2		4		2	120
Chester,	1765	—— Breed,	Stated supply.	30	40	70		3	1	4	1	2		3			65
" Factories,	Nov. 13, 1844	J. C. Strong,	Stated supply.	11	20	31			3	3		1		1		3	35
" Village,	Aug. 26, 1846	Vacant,		21	35	56	8	11		11	1	1		2	7	2	60
Granville, East,	1747	T. M. Cooley, D. D.	Feb. 3, 1796	36	80	116	38		2	2	6		1	7		1	100
" West,	1786	F. Norwood,	Stated supply.	23	49	72		1		1	3	1		4		3	94
Holyoke, 1st,	Dec 4, 1799	Simeon Miller,	May 7, 1846	21	42	63	14				3	1		4		1	90
" 2d,	May 24, 1849	A. C. Pierce,	Stated supply.	15	18	33	12	1	3	4		2		2	1	1	80
Montgomery,	June 30, 1797	J. C. Thompson,	Stated supply.	10	25	35											40
Southwick,	Aug. 16, 1773	Henry Cooley,	Dec. 2, 1846	22	74	91	18	7		7	2	5	1	8	4	2	75
Tolland,	1797	Vacant,		26	32	58						1	1	2			50
Westfield,	Aug 16, 1679	E. Davis, D. D.	June 1, 1836	134	290	424	25	1	8	9	9	14	1	24		3	
West Springfield,	1698	H. M. Field.	Jan. 30, 1851	81	162	243		9	3	12	2	5		7	5	3	175
" Agawam,	Sept. 1, 1819	Ralph Perry,	Dec. 28, 1847	41	72	113		1	4	5	1	4		5	1	3	100
" Feeding Hills,	Nov. 10, 1762	Vacant,		31	65	96	23	1	3	4	2	3		5	1	3	70
" Agawam Falls,	Jan. 10, 1850	L. A. Field,	Stated supply.	23	15	38		5		5	1			1	2	1	50
Total, 16		12		563	1097	1660		41	29	60	33	42	4	79			

11. HAMPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf	School.
Chesterfield,	Oct. 30, 1764	Vacant,		16	56	72											
Cummington, 1st,	1771	James D. Chapman,	June 12, 1844	19	26	65	25				1			1			100
" Village,	1840	Vacant,		40	56	96	8		1	1	3			3		2	150
" West,	1840	Joseph B. Baldwin,	Sept. 1, 1841	32	61	93	9	14	2	16	3			3	3	4	60
East Hampton,	1789	{ Payson Williston, Rollin S. Stone,	Aug. 13, 1789 Oct. 8, 1850			312											
Goshen,	1788	Robert Crossett,	Stated supply.	46	94	140		2		2	3	2		5	1		140
Hatfield,	1670	Jared O. Knapp,	Dec. 11, 1850	101	156	257	28	8	9	17	4	5		9	7	19	200
Middlefield,	1792	Edward Clarke,	June 19, 1839	35	58	93		7	1	8	5	6		11	3	1	75
Northampton, 1st,	June 18, 1661	Vacant,		194	390	584											
" Edwards ch.	June 29, 1833	Gordon Hall,	June 2, 1852	83	151	234		2	17	19	4	6		10			250
Norwich,	1781	John R. Miller,	May 17, 1848	63	88	151		2	2	4	2			2		4	150
Plainfield,	Aug. 31, 1789	D. B. Bradford,	June 10, 1852	51	123	174	10	2	4	6	5	8	2	15	1	4	225
Southampton,	June, 8, 1743	Morris E. White,	June 20, 1832	167	210	377											
West Hampton,	Sept. 1, 1779	Vacant,		71	100	171	17	4	4	8	3	5		8		6	245
Whately, 1st,	Aug. 21, 1771	Vacant,		55	79	134		5	2	7	4	4		8	3	4	60
" 2d,	Nov. 10, 1842	J. S. Judd,	Oct. 12, 1843	36	54	90	4	2	5	7	1			1			60
Williamsburg,	1773	Edward W. Root,	Oct. 23, 1850	101	165	266	28	20	11	31	3	27	1	31			275
" Haydenville.	March 1, 1851	Edward Sweet,	March 1, 1851	21	34	55		12	14	26					8	3	
Worthington,	April 1, 1771	John H. Bisbee,	Dec. 19, 1838	91	135	226		7	6	13	5	6		11	5	10	300
Total, 19		15		1222	2030	3546		85	78	163	43	47	3	53			

Without Pastoral Charge.—C. Knight, Hatfield; E. Clapp and S. Lyman, Easthampton; E. B. Wright, Norwich; W. A. Hawley, Plainfield; J. C. Thompson, Holyoke; W. A. Hallock and H. J. Gaylord, New York City; O. Warner, Northampton; E. Y. Swift, South Hadley; T. J. Clark, Cummington.

12. HAMPSHIRE EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Amherst, West,	Nov. 7, 1739	A. M. Colton,	June 10, 1840	121	229	350					5	2		7		8	
" North,	Nov. 15, 1826	Vacant.	Jan. 16, 1839	56	95	151	4	5			4	3		7			180
" East,	Nov. 11, 1782	C. L. Woodworth,	Nov. 7, 1849	50	110	160	15	4	8	12	3	2		5	4	3	200
" South,	Oct. 14, 1824	J. L. Merrick,	Jan. 31, 1849	35	100	135		16	10	26	2	9		11	7	4	150
" College ch.	1826	E. Hitchcock, D. D.	April 15, 1845	438	25	463	409	4	8	12	1	3		4			
Belchertown,	1739	S. Wolcott,	Oct 3, 1849	169	256	425	35		6	6	7	7		14		8	300
Enfield,	1740	R. McEwen,	Feb. 16, 1842	143	222	365	42	5	1	6	8	4		12	2	8	275
Granby,	1762	Vacant,		106	159	295	37										250
Greenwich,	1749	E. P. Blodget,	July 5, 1843	40	87	127		5		5	2			2	1	2	130
Hadley, 1st par.	1659	R. Ayres,	Jan 12, 1848	85	155	240		5		5	2	3		5		14	250
" 2d par.	Oct. 26, 1731	W. H. Beaman,	Sept. 15, 1841	35	79	114	14	3		3	6	3				3	120
" 3d par.	1841	J. Woodbridge, D. D.	Feb. 16, 1842	39	62	101			3		5	3				4	100
South Hadley, 1st par.	1733	E. Y Swift,	Stated supply	77	154	231											150
" 2d par	1824	Porter Snow,	1851	45	71	116	27										100
Leverett,	1784	David Eastman,	Feb. 12, 1840	37	69	106	12		3	3	3	1		4		4	100
Pelham,	Oct. 25, 1837	Vacant,		5	33	38	10										125
Prescott,	Jan. 15, 1823	Vacant,		12	36	48	15										50
Total, 17		13		1493	1972	3465	620	47	39	78	48	40		64	14	58	2480

Without Pastoral Charge.—J. W. Curtis, Hadley; G. H. Patrick, G. Sanford, and G. Nash, Amherst; Dana Goodsell, General Agent American Tract Society, East Haven, Con.

13. HARMONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851			Removed 1851.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Au.	Inf.	School.
Blackstone,	April 15, 1841	Vacant,		20	48	68	15	2	3	5	1	6		7		2	100
" Millville,	1836	Vacant,															
Douglass,	Nov. 11, 1747	David Holman,	Stated supply.	12	34	46	16				1	5		6			60
" East,	June 12, 1834	Vacant,		39	86	125	12		7	8	1	7		8		3	150
Grafton,	Dec. 28, 1731	Thomas C. Biscoe,	July 18, 1838	107	187	294	49	4	9	13	5	5	1	11	1	3	290
Millbury, 1st ch.	Sept. 10, 1747	N. Beach,	Nov. 22, 1837	39	129	168	18	31	8	39	5	5		10	19	2	175
" 2d ch.	April 23, 1837	Leverett Griggs,	Sept. 22, 1847	86	165	251	35	72	7	79		4		4	34	6	267
" Grass Hill,		H. A. Read,	Stated supply.	15	40	55	17	5		5	3	7		10			78
Northbridge,	June 26, 1782	William Bates,	Nov. 5, 1845	37	72	109	16	20	2	22	1			1	10	17	75
" Whitinsville,	July 31, 1834	Lewis F. Clark,	June 1, 1842	38	89	127	20	14	5	19	2	6		8	6	6	230
Sutton,	1720	George Lyman,	Nov. 12, 1851	58	131	189	30				6	6		12		2	150
Upton,	1735	William Warren,	Nov. 14, 1849	70	168	238	43	3	11	14	6	2	1	9	6	4	400
Uxbridge,	Jan. 17, 1731	J. J. Abbott,	April 3, 1850	38	123	161	25	3	8	11	2	4	1	7	2		242
Webster.	June 16, 1838	Lorenzo Cary,	Aug. 14, 1845	42	99	141	34	23	6	29	2	5		7	14		160
Total, 14		11		601	1371	1972	330	178	66	244	35	62	3	100	92	45	2427

Without Pastoral Charge.—Daniel Butler, Westboro'; Sidney Holman, West Millbury.

14. MENDON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Dover,	Oct. 23, 1839	J. Haskell,	Dec 25, 1850	15	27	42	12	6	2	8					1		45
Foxboro',	Nov. 25, 1779	Wm. Barnes,	Dec. 15, 1847	33	92	125	12	18	3	21	5	2		7	8	9	280
Franklin,	Feb. 16, 1738	Samuel Hunt,	Dec 4, 1850	58	127	185		32	4	36	1	2		3	11	7	250
Holliston,	Oct. 31, 1728	J. T. Tucker,	June 6, 1849	64	179	243	8	7	6	13	4			4	1	9	280
Mansfield,	May 9, 1838	M. Blake,	Dec. 4, 1839	31	52	83	7	5	1	6	2	1		3	1	7	160
Medfield,	Feb. 7, 1828	T. T. Richmond,	Oct. 26, 1842	26	62	88		1	2	3					2	3	70
Medway, 1st,	1714	John O. Means,	Dec. 3, 1851	37	94	131		3	1	4		3		3	2	5	140
" 2d,	Oct. 4, 1750	Jacob Ide, D. D.	Nov. 2, 1814	64	126	190	43	2	2	4	4	5	1	10		4	175
" Village,	Sept. 7, 1838	David Sanford,	Oct 3, 1838	45	121	166	25	4	5	9	2			2	2	7	150
Mendon,	Aug. 13, 1828	Vacant,		7	40	47					1						60
Milford,	April 15, 1741	Vacant,		27	69	96	13	2	14	16	2	3		5		4	250
Walpole,	Nov. 13, 1826	G. H. Newhall,	Sept. 18, 1850	37	127	164	22	1	1	2		3		3	1	6	200
Wrentham, 1st,	April 13, 1692	Horace James,	Nov. 1, 1843	60	187	247	46	1	3	4	3	9	1	13	1	7	300
" North,	June 16, 1798	John Dwight,	Stated supply	9	23	32					1			1			50
Total, 14		12		513	1326	1839	188	82	44	126	25	28	2	54	30	68	2410

Without Pastoral Charge.—Charles Simmons, North Wrentham; T. D. P. Stone, and D. J. Poor, Hopkinton; T. S. Southworth, Franklin; A. H. Reed, Mendon; Thomas Williams, Providence, R. I.

15. MIDDLESEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Ashland,	1835	Wm. M. Thayer,	June 20, 1849	22	105	127		2	13	15	2	2	2	6	3	5	175
Concord,	June 5, 1826	Vacant,		15	70	85											
Framingham,	Oct. 8, 1771	J. C. Bodwell,		62	158	220	14				3	3		6		8	160
Hopkinton,	Sept. 2, 1724	J. C. Webster,	Dec. 19, 1838	52	120	172											
Lincoln,	Aug. 20, 1747	W. C. Jackson,	April 26, 1848	27	58	85	18	1		1	1	1		2		4	120
Marlboro',	1666	George Denham,	Stated supply.	34	109	143	26	3	6	9	2	6	1	9	2	2	200
Natick,	1802	Elias Nason,	1852	40	99	139	23		2	2	5	1		6			150
Needham, West,	Sept. 1798	A. Bigelow,	July 7, 1847	33	62	95										4	130
" Grantville,	Feb. 24, 1847	W. Barrows,	Aug. 22, 1850	17	24	41											
Saxonville,	May, 1834	B. G. Northrup,	March 10, 1847	25	72	97	19	3	5	7	1			1	2	8	130
Sherburne,	March 26, 1685	Edmund Dowse,	Oct. 10, 1838	75	101	176	30	18		18	3	4		1	8	5	
Southboro',	Feb. 17, 1831	Alanson Rawson,	Stated supply.	67	111	178											
Stow,	May 11, 1839	T. Cooke,	June 9, 1847	18	34	52											
Sudbury,	Aug. 1640	Josiah Ballard,	March 8, 1841	49	134	183											
Wayland,	May 21, 1828	Vacant,		33	95	128											
Total, 15		13		569	1352	1921	130	27	26	52	17	17	3	31			

16. MIDDLESEX UNION ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Int.	School.
Acton,	March 13, 1832	J. T. Woodbury,	July 15, 1832	87	135	222			1	1	4	3		7		3	150
Ashby,	June 12, 1776	C. W. Wood,	Oct. 30, 1839	56	105	161	27				1	2	1	4		1	180
Boxboro',	April 29, 1724	Vacant,															
Dunstable,	May 12, 1757	D. Adams,	Sept. 5, 1850	30	69	99											100
Fitchburg,	Jan. 27, 1768	E. W. Bullard,	Aug. 8, 1838	125	231	356		4	6	10	7	8		15	1	5	385
Groton,	July 13, 1664	E. A. Bulkley,	Sept. 18, 1850	54	131	185	11	6	10	16	1	9		10	3	7	
Harvard,	Oct. 10, 1733	George Fisher,	Sept. 12, 1821	46	95	141	24	2	2	4	3	2		5	1	3	135
Lancaster,	May 12, 1839	C. Packard,	Jan. 1, 1840	27	58	85	9	7	20	27	2	7	1	10	4	6	100
Leominster,	Dec. 25, 1822	J. S. Bingham,	Dec. 17, 1851	54	126	180											200
Littleton,	May 14, 1840	Daniel H. Babcock,	April 24, 1851	15	27	42	8		6	6	1	1		2			50
Lunenburg,	June 10, 1835	E. R. Hodgman,	Feb. 18, 1852	31	62	93	10		2	2		3		3		2	125
Pepperell,	Jan. 29, 1747	L. Cutler,	Jan. 22, 1851	123	168	291	43	14	12	26	9	7		16	6	7	350
Shirley,	March 12, 1828	G. W. Adams,	Stated supply.	10	19	29		3		3		2		2	2	6	
Townsend,	Oct. 16, 1734	L. H. Sheldon,	Aug. 4, 1844	88	155	243	39	6	2	8	9	4		13	2	11	285
Westford,	Dec. 25, 1828	Leonard Luce,	April 8, 1829	52	98	150	49	3		3	4	3		7	1	3	120
Total, 15		14		768	1479	2277	220	45	60	106	41	51	2	90	20	54	2180

Without Pastoral Charge.—O. G. Hubbard.

17. NORFOLK ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851			Removed 1851.				Baptisms		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Abington, 1st,	1712	J. W. Ward,	May 21, 1834	51	82	133	9	4		4	1	2	1	4	2		
" 2d,	Aug. 1807	Vacant,		68	105	173	15	2	1	3		11		11	1	4	135
" 3d,	1813	H. D. Walker,	Feb. 15, 1844	37	90	127	8	2	1	3		1	1	2	2	5	200
" North,	Oct. 1839	Isaac C. White,	Oct. 23, 1850	40	66	106	2	13	3	16	3			3	10		200
Berkley, Tr. cong. ch.	Sept. 1848	L. R. Eastman,	Stated supply.	12	18	30			1	1	1			1		1	110
Braintree, 1st,	1707	R. S. Storrs, D. D.	July 3, 1811	51	121	172		5	4	9	4	5		9	1		100
" South,	Nov. 1829	Wm. B. Hammond,	April 18, 1849	29	53	82	11	3	1	4	2			2	1	3	200
" and Weymouth,	Aug. 1811	Jonas Perkins,	June 14, 1815	69	112	181	21	3	1	4	5			5	1		150
Canton,	July, 1828	S. Clark,	Nov. 12, 1851	11	21	32		3	1	10		1		1			70
Cohasset, 2d ch.	Nov. 1824	F. A. Reed,	March 9, 1848	14	74	88	11					1		1		3	
Dedham, South,	June, 1736	Vacant,		28	51	82											100
Dorchester, 2d ch.	Jan. 1808	James H. Means,	July 13, 1848	84	242	326	70	12	4	16	3	2		5	1	12	175
" Village,	March, 1829	Vacant,		44	131	175	50				2	1		3			120
E. & W. Bridgewater,	June, 1826	P. B Wilcox,	May 11, 1751	51	61	112	3	5		5	1	2		3	1	1	150
Easton,	1711	L. Sheldon, D. D.	Oct. 24, 1810	36	82	118	20				4	-2		6			125
Hanover,	Dec. 1728	A. G. Duncan,	Aug. 29, 1833	16	47	63	7				3			3		1	100
Hanson,	Sept. 1749	S. L. Rockwood,	March 11, 1840	14	53	67	5		9	9	2	1		3			
Hingham, Evang. ch.	Dec. 1847	E. Porter Dyer,	Jan. 4, 1849	7	13	20	4	2	1	3					1	8	80
Milton, 1st ch.	1678	Albert K. Teele,	Dec. 18, 1850	33	70	103	15	5	4	9	2	1		3	1	4	
" Railway,	Nov. 1843	E. Leonard,	March 25, 1852	9	25	34											92
North Bridgewater,	1736	Paul Couch,	Oct. 7, 1835	53	84	137	7	4		4	1			1	3	1	
" Porter Ev. ch.	March, 1850	Vacant,		40	74	114	1	4	10	14	4	1		5	3		175
" South ch.	Dec. 1836	D. Huntington,	Jan. 1, 1840	32	49	81	3	6	3	9		1		1	3	2	100
Quincy,	Aug. 1832	Nelson Clark,	Jan. 2, 1850	28	76	104	26	3	2	5	1			1	1	9	
Randolph,	May, 1731	C. M. Cordley,	March 3, 1852	44	75	119					2		1	3			130
" East,	1821	E. Russell,	May 8, 1850	46	83	129										2	210
Scituate, North, 1st ch.	Jan. 1634	Daniel Wight, Jr.	Sept. 28, 1842	27	50	77	5	1		1	1	1		2			150
Sharon,	May, 1741	L. R. Phillips,	Jan. 21, 1841	25	78	103	3	6	3	9	4	2		6	1	5	110
Stoughton, 1st ch.	Aug. 1744	Albert Perry,	Jan. 8, 1851	30	51	81	18	2	4	6	3			3		1	110
Weymouth, North, 1st	1635	Joshua Emery, Jr.	Jan. 25, 1838	67	135	202					4	2		6			187
" South, 2d	1723	James P. Terry,	July 6, 1848	22	61	83	7	2	1	3	1	2		3	1	9	120
" Union ch.	1842	Willard M. Harding,	Nov. 17, 1847	22	51	73	1	6	1	7					3	6	
" North, Pilgrim c.	1852	Calvin Terry,	May 18, 1852														
Total, 33	29			1140	2357	3527	322	99	55	154	54	39	3	96	37	77	

Without Pastoral Charge.—C. Hitchcock, D. D., Wrentham; David Dyer, Albany, N. Y.; S. W. Cozzens, Kingsboro', N. Y.; Willard Peirce, Abington; Josiah Tucker, Taunton.

18. OLD COLONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1452.			Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Dartmouth, South,	1807	Wm. A. Mandell,	Nov. 11, 1846	26	80	106	26									4	
Fairhaven,	1794	Jacob Roberts,	July 17, 1839			168										10	240
Middleboro', Central,	March 25, 1847	I. C. Thatcher,	Aug. 16, 1849	37	66	103	1	2	8	10					1	5	145
New Bedford, 1st ch.	1896	D. C. Burt,	July 1, 1835	16	44	60			1	1		2		2		1	80
" North,	Oct. 15, 1807	A. Eldridge,	Sept. 15, 1847	88	193	281		6	10	16	2	2	1	5		41	250
" Trinit.	Nov. 1830	Wheelock Craig,	Dec. 4, 1850	51	102	153	34	11	6	17	3	3		6	2		107
" Pacific,	Oct. 8, 1844	M. M. Colburn,	June 12, 1851	21	34	55	9	7	2	9	1	3		4	3	3	55
Rochester, South,	1686	Leander Cobb,	Dec. 1, 1841	17	49	66											
" Centre,	1686	E. W. Harrington,	June 19, 1850	20	84	104		2	1	3	2	2		4	1	5	100
" Mattapoisett,	1740	Wm. L. Mather,	Jan. 29, 1851	51	91	142		1		1	7	1		8	1	8	90
" North,	1758	Isaac Briggs,	1836	21	19	40											
Wareham,	1739	James A. Roberts,	Stated supply.	34	98	132											
Total, 12	11			383	864	1415		22	26	48	14	10	1	25			

Without Pastoral Charge.—William Gould, Fairhaven; Samuel Nott, Jr., Wareham; N. Cobb, Sippican; Samuel Beane, Little Compton.

19. PILGRIM ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Carver,	1733	Stillman Pratt,	Aug. 21, 1851	30	50	80	7			1	1			1		1	70
Kingston,	May 19, 1828	Joseph Peckham,	Nov. 30, 1842	21	56	77	8				2			2			60
Marshfield, North,	July 4, 1835	Sumner Clark,	Oct. 9, 1851	16	24	40	3		2	2							75
" South,	1632	Ebenezer Alden,	Oct. 30, 1850	26	41	67	5	3	2	5	2	3		5	3		120
Plymouth, Manomet,	Nov. 8, 1738	Charles Greenwood,	Stated supply	52	71	123	10				5			5			100
" Pilgrimage,	Oct. 1, 1801	Charles S. Porter,	May, 25, 1845	34	121	155	4	3	34	37	2	5	3	10	1	2	174
" Chiltonville,	Oct. 27, 1819	Vacant,		54	103	157					4	3	1	8		3	46
Plympton,	1695	Charles Livingston,	Oct. 15, 1851	25	88	113	5		1	1	3	1		4			100
Total, 8		7		258	554	812	42	6	40	46	19	12	4	35	4	6	745

20. SALEM ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Beverly, Dane-st.	Nov. 9, 1802	Joseph Abbott,	Oct. 23, 1834	71	146	217						3		3		2	65
" 4th ch.	Sept. 1, 1834	Allen Gannett,	Dec. 15, 1847	5	21	26			1	1	1			1			120
" Washington-st.	1837	Vacant,		31	99	130											
Boxford, 1st ch.	1702	Wm. S. Coggin,	May 9, 1838	19	62	81		16		16	2			2	12	1	140
Danvers, 1st ch.	Nov. 16, 1689	M. P. Braman,	April 12, 1826	48	99	147				5	4			4	5	5	292
Lynn, 1st ch.	June, 1632	Parsons Cook, D. D.	May 4, 1836	58	155	213		24	6	30	3			3	13	2	
" Central,	Dec. 11, 1850	A. R. Baker,		18	42	60											
Marblehead,	Oct. 13, 1684	E. A. Lawrence,	April 23, 1845	74	265	339		3	5	8	8	2		10		6	250
Salem, Tabernacle ch.	April, 1735	S. M. Worcester, D.D	Dec. 3, 1834	77	331	408		4	2	6	3	5		8		7	450
Saugus,	1732	L. Brigham,	May 7, 1851	12	18	30		2	2	4							89
Swampscott,	July 15, 1846	J. B. Clark,				33			3	3						1	
Topsfield,	1663	A. McLoud,	Dec. 8, 1841	49	102	151		1		1	6	1		7	1	2	175
Wenham,	Oct. 8, 1644	J. Taylor,	Oct. 27, 1847	46	81	127			2	2	7	1		8		3	200
Total, 13		12		508	1421	1962		50	21	76	34	12		46	26	27	1772

Without Pastoral Charge.—George T. Dole, Lowell; Joseph Tracy, Beverly.

21. SUFFOLK NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Boston, Old South ch.	May 5, 1669	G. W. Blagden, D. D.	Sept. 28, 1836	94	433	527		1	6	7	3			3		3	193
" Bowdoin-st.	July 18, 1825	J. B. Waterbury, D.D.	Sept. 1846	151	296	447											
" Central ch.	May 11, 1835	George Richards,	Oct. 8, 1845	146	316	462		6	5	11	6	16		22	2		495
Cambridge, 1st ch.	Feb. 1, 1636	J. A. Albro, D. D.	April 15, 1835	69	177	246		4	7	11	4	1		5		2	
Cambridgeport, 1st ch.	Sept. 20, 1827	W. A. Stearns,	Dec. 14, 1831	83	184	267		13	10	23	2	16		18	8	13	230
Cambridge East,	Sept. 8, 1842	Vacant,		21	48	69											
Charlestown, 1st ch.	Nov. 2, 1632	W. I. Budington,	April 22, 1840	54	196	250		8	2	10	5	1		6	1	3	
" Winthrop ch.	Jan. 9, 1833	Benjamin Tappan, Jr.	Oct. 4, 1848	108	233	341		5	8	13	6	3		9	2	22	545
Chelsea, Winnisimmet	Sept. 30, 1841	I. P. Langworthy,	Nov. 10, 1841	63	141	204	68	6	8	14	5	120		125	4	8	275
" Broadway ch.	April 2, 1851	J. A. Copp,	Jan. 1852	48	74	122			122	122	3	6		9			375
Malden, 1st ch.	March, 1649	Vacant,		30	69	99	29	3	12	15	1	5		5	2	6	180
" Winthrop ch	March 16, 1848	F. G. Pratt,	Oct. 18, 1849	13	39	52											
Medford, 2d ch.	Oct. 1823	Vacant,		55	113	168											
" Mystic ch.	July 6, 1847	A. B. Warner,	Oct. 27, 1847	30	70	100	4	5	3	8	1			1			138
Needham, Grantville,	Feb. 24, 1847	W. Barrows,	Aug. 22, 1850	24	38	62	3	3	1	4	1	4		5	1	2	75
Newton, 1st ch.	July 20, 1664	D. L. Furber,	Dec. 1, 1847	41	78	119	16		4	4	1	2		3		3	100
" 2d ch.	Oct. 2, 1781	L. Gilbert, D. D.	July 2, 1828	39	73	132	16	10	3	13	1			1	4	1	120
" Eliot ch.	July 1, 1845	W. S. Leavitt,	Dec. 3, 1845	32	67	99	11	9	1	10	2	4		6	2	4	150
" Auburndale ch.	Nov. 14, 1850	Vacant,		15	21	36	2	2	7	3						1	60
North Chelsea,	May 9, 1828	J. D. Farnsworth,	Stated supply.	6	13	19											70
Waltham, Tr. cong.ch.	Sept. 28, 1820	John Whitney,	Nov. 8, 1837	30	120	150											
Total, 21		17		1151	2699	3850		76	193	269	41	178		219			

Without Pastoral Charge.—E. A. Park, D. D., Andover; R. Anderson, D. D., G. C. Beckwith, D. D., S. Bliss, A. Bullard, D. Clark, W. M. Cornell, W. Jenks, D. D., S. L. Pomeroy, D. D., H. Winslow, Boston; W. Bushnell, Newton; J. Curtis, Charlestown.

22. SUFFOLK SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Int.	
Boston, Park-st. ch.	Feb. 27, 1809	A. L. Stone,	Jan. 25, 1849	150	383	533		13	29	42		14		14			
" Essex-st.	Aug. 26, 1822	N. Adams, D. D.	March 26, 1834	123	333	456		13	13	26	8	9		17	2	3	290
" Salem-st.	Sept. 2, 1827	E. Beecher, D. D.	March 13, 1844	150	331	481											
" Pine-st.	Sept. 2, 1827	H. M. Dexter,	April 18, 1849	73	157	230		4	5	9	2	16		18	2	1	406
" Mt. Vernon,	June 1, 1842	E. N. Kirk,	June 1, 1842	175	384	559		10	27	37	9	34		43	6	19	355
" Shawmut,	Nov. 20, 1845	Vacant,		47	92	139	10	4	5	9						6	250
" Edwards ch.	Feb. 1, 1849	Preston Pond,	1852	24	71	95	17	3	6	9		12		12		1	250
" Pilgrim.	July, 1844	Vacant,		83	219	302		6	16	22	1	39		40	6	4	
" Phillips ch.	Dec. 10, 1823	Vacant,		85	165	250			2	2	3	7		10		8	230
" Maverick,	May 31, 1836	R. W. Clark,	Dec. 3, 1851	52	103	155	24				2	3		5			350
Brighton,	Sept. 13, 1827	A. Swazey,	Oct. 6, 1847			135		8	4	12		2	3	5	1		120
Brookline,	Aug. 26, 1844	M. M. Smith,	June 5, 1851	30	46	76	6	2	16	18		1		1		4	90
Dedham, 1st ch.	Nov. 8, 1638	E. Burgess, D. D.	March 14, 1821	55	184	239		3	4	7	3	4		7	5	8	125
Roxbury, Eliot ch.	Sept. 18, 1834	A. C. Thompson,	July 22, 1842	96	175	271		10	21	31	4	14		18		9	250
" West,	June 11, 1835	T. Laurie,	May 7, 1851	22	46	68	5		11	11						4	90
Total, 15		11		1145	2689	3969		76	159	235	32	155	3	190			

Without Pastoral Charge.—Louis Dwight, Selah B. Treat, J. S. Clark, D. D., S. H. Riddell, and J. E. Woodbridge, Boston; C. Marsh, West Roxbury; Austin Phelps, Andover; G. H Hastings, Rome, Italy.

23. TAUNTON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	To.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Attleboro', 2d ch.	Nov. 30, 1748	Jonathan Crane,	Oct. 20, 1836	58	187	245	30	1	3	4	8	2		10		3	300
" West,	Nov. 12, 1737	S. B. Morley,	July, 1851	25	60	85	46	3		3	2	2	1	5	1		100
Berkley, Cong. ch.	Nov. 2, 1710	N. Richardson,	Stated supply.	47	91	138			1	1	2			2		6	120
Dighton,	1710	Vacant,		17	35	52											50
Fall River, Central ch.	1845	Eli Thurston,	March, 1849	71	128	199		3	3	6	2	9		11		8	200
Freetown,	1809	S. Woodbury,	Stated supply.	9	28	37	4				4			4			50
Norton,	April 3, 1832	Vacant,		50	79	129	14										
Pawtucket,	April 17, 1829	C. Blodgett,	July 27, 1836	56	183	239	65	8	10	18	1	5	1	7	3	1	320
Raynham,	Oct. 19, 1731	Robert Carver,	Dec. 1, 1847	41	95	136	49				3		2	5			175
Rehoboth,	Nov. 29, 1721	C. P. Grosvenor,	Stated supply	17	71	88	8		2	2	2			2		1	140
Seekonk,	1644	H. Pratt,	Stated supply	22	55	77	8				1	14	1	16			110
Taunton, West,	1638	Alvan Cobb,	April 19, 1815	27	60	87	20									2	90
" Trin. ch.	Aug. 21, 1821	E. Maltby,	June 18, 1826	96	254	350	53	3	7	10	5	2	4	11		9	340
" Spring-st. ch.	Jan. 12, 1837	S. H. Emery,	Nov. 23, 1837	50	93	143	25	2	5	7	1			1	1	16	150
Total, 14		12		586	1419	2005	322	20	31	51	31	34	9	74			

Without Pastoral Charge.—Orin Fowler, Fall River; James O. Barney, Seamen's Chaplain, Providence, R. I.

24. VINEYARD SOUND ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.		Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
					Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Barnstable, West,		1634	Vacant,		28	42	70	10										60
" Centreville,		1825	E. Bacon,	Stated supply.	30	62	92											80
Chilmark,		1715	N. Cobb,	Stated supply.	4	21	25											30
Falmouth, 1st ch.	Oct.	1708	H. B. Hooker,	Feb. 1837	63	143	206		1		1	6	1		7		3	250
" East,	June 20,	1821	O. G. Hubbard,	Stated supply.	17	34	51			1	1							60
" North,		1833	Cyrus Mann,	Stated supply.	37	55	92	12	18	3	21	1	2		3		1	55
" East, 2d,	Jan. 3,	1850	S. F. Beard,	Stated supply.	8	25	33		2	3	5					2	5	60
Cotuit & Herring Pond		1670	P. Fish,	Sept. 1811	6	21	27					2						55
Nantucket,	Nov.	1767	B. Judkins,	April 1, 1851	75	282	357											300
Sandwich,		1638	E. Wells,	July 1847	35	70	105		2	1	3	5	3		8		2	115
" Monument,		1833	Vacant,		12	37	49											70
Tisbury, Holmes Hole		1844	Vacant,		4	19	23											
" West,		1673	—— Cole,		19	37	56											35
Yarmouth, South,		1839	Vacant,															
Total, 14			8		338	548	886	22	23	8	31	14	6		20	2	11	1170

Without Pastoral Charge.—A. Cobb, Sandwich.

25. WOBURN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Bedford,	July 15, 1730	Oren Sikes,	June 3, 1846	57	119	176	34	22		22	1	5		6	7	2	152
Billerica,	April 30, 1821	J. G. D. Stearns,	May 10, 1843	12	41	53	12	1	1	2		2		2		9	70
Burlington,	Oct. 29, 1735	Vacant,		18	34	52										1	50
Carlisle,	Feb. 28, 1781	S. W. Banister,	Oct. 1, 1847	12	40	52	4	1	2	3	2	2		4		2	70
Medford, 2d ch.	Oct. 1823	E. P. Marvin,	Feb. 25, 1852	45	85	130	25	2		2		1		1			110
Reading, North,	June 29, 1720	E. W. Allen,	May 17, 1843	22	46	68	7		1	1	2			2		1	150
" Bethesda ch.	April 17, 1849	E. W. Clark,	Jan. 1, 1850	54	87	141	7	8	2	10	5	1		6	1	17	200
" Old South,	Feb. 21, 1771	L. Whiting,	Jan. 1, 1851	48	77	125	12		5	5	5	4		9		5	195
South Reading,	Nov. 5, 1645	{ Reuben Emerson, { Alfred Emerson,	Oct. 17, 1804 / Oct. 15, 1845														
Stoneham,	July 2, 1729	W. C. Whitcomb,	May 1, 1850	37	82	119	20	8	10	18	6			6	6	4	175
Tewksbury,	Dec. 29, 1734	Jacob Coggin,	Oct. 22, 1806	58	88	146	12	1	1	2	2	4		6		2	120
West Cambridge,	Dec. 14, 1842	Francis Horton,	May 17, 1843	30	66	96	10	2	3	5	2	1		3		5	110
Wilmington,	Oct. 24, 1733	J. E. Swallow,	March 26, 1851	24	62	86	18	7		7	2	2		4	3	1	150
Woburn, 1st ch.	Aug. 14, 1642	Jonathan Edwards,	Sept. 7, 1848	149	292	441	68	10	20	30	6	7		13	4	10	250
" North,	Nov. 22, 1849	Samuel Sewall,	Stated supply.	14	34	48		1	2	3					1		85
Total, 15		15		580	1153	1733	229	63	47	110	33	29		62	22	59	1877

Without Pastoral Charge.—John A. Vinton, Boston; Preserved Smith, Carlisle; George Gannett, West Cambridge; H. G. Park, Burlington.

26. WORCESTER CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Auburn,	Jan. 25, 1776	Charles Chamberlain,	July 9, 1851	50	100	150	20	6	3	9	5	6		11		2	150
Barre,	Aug. 18, 1820	C. M. Nichols,	May 7, 1851	70	115	185		24	12	36	3	2		5	3	2	150
Berlin,	April 7, 1779	Henry Adams,	Oct. 25, 1843	43	80	123	20	5	2	7	6			6	2	3	140
Boylston,	Oct. 6, 1743	Wm. H. Sanford,	Oct. 17, 1832	51	87	138	23		2	2	2	5		7		3	150
Clinton,	Nov. 14, 1844	Wm. D. Hitchcock,	Oct. 1851	45	102	147	12	7	10	17	2	2		4	3	2	155
Holden,	Dec. 22, 1742	Wm. P. Paine,	Oct. 24, 1833	113	236	349		30	4	34	1	10	1	12	16	3	200
Leicester,	1721	{ John Nelson, D. D.	March 4, 1812														
		{ A. C. Denison,	March 4, 1851	79	137	216	9	4	5	9		6		6			247
Northboro',	April 12, 1832	Vacant,		21	65	86	20				2	2		4			150
Oxford,	Jan. 18, 1721	Horatio Bardwell,	Jan. 8, 1836	71	156	227	39	17	5	22	3	5		8	5	5	150
Paxton,	Sept. 3, 1767	Wm. Phipps,	Nov. 11, 1840	33	80	113	10	1	2	3	3	7	1	11		1	175
Princeton,	Oct. 12, 1764	H. Wickes,	June 16, 1852	45	64	109	16				1	1		2			100
Rutland,	Nov. 1, 1727	George E. Fisher,	Feb. 27, 1850	75	170	245	25		1	1	6	10	2	18			150
Shrewsbury,	Dec. 4, 1723	N. W. Williams,	Feb. 28, 1849	103	167	270	36		2	2	9	7		16		2	270
Westboro',	Oct. 28, 1724	Daniel R. Cady,	Dec 4, 1849	136	264	400	27	18	9	27	10	3	1	14	7	21	386
West Boylston,	Sept. 15, 1796	Joseph W. Cross,	March 11, 1840	88	183	271	50	8	5	13	3	7	1	11	5	5	250
Worcester, 1st par.	1719	George P. Smith,	March 19, 1848	131	244	375	30		21	21	8	3	1	12		10	494
" Calvinist,	Aug. 16, 1820	Seth Sweetser, D. D.	Dec. 19, 1838	105	223	328	48	7	14	21	6	4		10		4	300
" Union,	Feb. 3, 1836	Elam Smalley, D. D.	Sept. 19, 1838	163	262	425	48	10	16	26	4	7		11	4	6	425
" Salem-st.	Dec. 12, 1848	George Bushnell,	Dec. 13, 1848	69	106	175		1	15	16	2	8		10			170
Total, 19		19		1491	2841	4332	433	138	128	256	75	94	7	176	45	69	4212

Without Pastoral Charge.—George Allen, Chaplain of Mass. Insane Hospital; Isaac Worcester, Agent of A. B. C. F. M.; Henry B. Holmes, Agent of Am. Tract Society; George S. Hovey, Agent of Am. and For. Christian Union; M. G. Pratt, Agent of Am. Col. Soc.; Rodney A. Miller, Worcester; David Greene, Westboro'.

27. WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admitted 1851.			Removed 1851.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Ashburnham,	April, 1760	—— Fisk,	Jan. 1852														
" North,	Feb. 21, 1843	A. A. Whitmore,	Oct. 18, 1848	29	36	65	20				2			2		1	
Athol,	Sept. 17, 1750	J. F. Norton,	March 17, 1852	47	84	131	15		5	5	3	5	5	13		1	
Gardner, 1st,	Sept. 1786	J. C. Paine,	Jan. 12, 1848	21	27	48		1	4	5					1		118
" 2d,		—— Stowell,	Stated supply.														70
Hubbardston,	Feb. 14, 1770	Vacant,		44	110	154	30		2	2	5	5	3	13			100
New Salem,	Aug. 1845	W. H. Hayward,	Aug. 23, 1848	8	19	27	6	1		1					1	1	60
Petersham,	Dec. 1830	A. B. Foster,	Stated supply.	30	67	97	6		1	1						3	140
Phillipston,	Nov. 16, 1785	A. E. P. Perkins,	Sept. 18, 1844	62	130	192	29	4	3	7	2	5		7		6	
Royalston, 1st ch.	Oct. 13, 1766	Vacant,															
" South,	Feb. 22, 1837	George Goodyear,	Dec. 19, 1849	28	41	69	13		2	2	1			1			109
Templeton,	April 11, 1832	Lewis Sabin,	Sept. 21, 1837	38	68	106	13	3	13	16	3	5		8	1	2	190
Westminster,	Oct. 20, 1744	O. H. White,	Aug. 21, 1851	88	199	287		13	8	21	6	5		11	4		175
Winchendon, 1st ch.	Dec. 15, 1762	John Storrs,	Aug. 22, 1849	32	75	107	19	2	1	3	6		1	7		1	60
" North,	Dec. 7, 1843	A. P. Marvin,	Jan. 10, 1844	36	90	126	9	3	8	11	1	6		7		4	130
Total, 15		13		463	946	1409	154	27	47	74	29	31	9	69			

Without Pastoral Charge.—Ebenezer Perkins, Royalston; S. S. Smith, Agent of Society for National Popular Education, Northampton; J. D. Crosby, Ashburnham.

SUMMARY.

Associations.	Chs.	Pastors.	Stated supplies.	Vacant chhs.	Ministers without charge.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1852.				Admissions in 1851.			Removals in 1851.				Baptisms.		Sab. Sch.
						Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Total.	Death.	Dis.	Ex.	Total.	Adults	Infants	
Andover,	16	14	3	1		717	913	1630		100	71	171	23	89		112			
Berkshire,	36	26	6	3	18	1674	3348	5022		111	115	226	60	134	3	197			
Brewster,	12	6	4	2	3	386	862	1234	62	48	9	57	33	13	4	50			
Bridgewater,	6	5	1		4	200	447	647	9	3	15	18	13	4		17			
Brookfield,	17	12	1	5	2	774	1739	2513		33	35	68	49	59	5	113			
Essex North,	24	21	4	1		1018	2301	3319		69	51	120	40	40	11	91			
Essex South,	15	14	1	1	2	725	1814	2539	96	50	19	69	43	26	1	70			
Franklin,	30	23	4	5	5	931	1785	2716	250	61	107	168	56	55	3	114			
Hampden East,	16	15	1	1		910	1626	2697		94	80	174	44	77	1	122			
Hampden West,	16	7	6	3		563	1097	1660		41	29	60	33	42	4	79			
Hampshire,	19	14	1	5	11	1222	2030	3546		85	78	163	43	47	3	93			
Hampshire East,	17	13	1	4	5	1193	1972	3465	620	47	39	78	48	40		88			
Harmony,	14	9	2	3	2	601	1371	1972	330	178	66	244	35	62	3	100			
Mendon,	14	11	1	2	6	513	1326	1839	188	82	44	126	25	28	2	55			
Middlesex South,	15	11	2	2		569	1352	1921	130	27	26	52	17	17	3	37			
Middlesex Union,	15	13	1	1	1	768	1479	2277	220	45	60	106	41	51	2	94			
Norfolk,	33	28	1	4	5	1140	2387	3527	322	99	55	154	54	39	3	96			
Old Colony,	12	10	1	1	4	383	864	1415		22	26	48	14	10	1	25			
Pilgrim,	8	6	1	1		258	554	812	42	6	40	46	19	12	4	35			
Salem,	13	12		1	2	508	1421	1962		50	21	76	34	12		46			
Suffolk North,	21	16	1	4	12	1151	2699	3850		76	193	269	41	178		488			
Suffolk South,	15	11		4	8	1145	2689	3969		76	159	235	32	155	3	190			
Taunton,	14	8	4	2	2	586	1419	2005	322	20	31	51	31	34	9	74			
Vineyard Sound,	14	4	5	5	1	338	548	886		23	8	31	14	6		20			
Woburn,	15	14	1	1	4	580	1153	1733	229	63	47	110	33	29		62			
Worcester Central,	19	18		2	7	1491	2841	4332		138	128	266	75	94	7	76			
Worcester North,	15	11	1	2	3	463	946	1409		27	47	74	29	31	9	69			
Total, 27	461	352	54	66	107	21,107	42,985	64,897	2,820	1,674	1,599	3,250	979	1,384	81	2,713			

REMARKS ON THE PRECEDING TABLES.

THE Committee of Publication for 1851 closed their labors with the "mortifying" remark, that after all their efforts they had reached but an *approximation* to the facts, "on account of defective statistics." What would have been the reflections of those gentlemen if they had been called to supervise the Returns of this year we can only conjecture, but their successors in this thankless, and perplexing, and unsatisfying toil are compelled to feel that in hardly a single point will the document we are obliged—after a delay which has no doubt been thought unreasonable—to send forth, satisfy the inquiries of the statistician. Imperfect as were the returns of 1851, those of 1852 were still more so, and, after having written about *seventy* letters (postage prepaid) we have found ourselves under the necessity of issuing them with these defects but little remedied, or withholding them altogether.

In view of these facts, the Committee propose to present to the next General Association of Massachusetts, the following resolution:

Resolved, That none of the District Associations, nor any member of the same, shall be entitled to receive a copy of the "Minutes" for 1853, unless the returns of such District Association are filed with the Scribe of the General Association, in a complete form, alphabetically arranged, and ready for the press, within one week after the adjournment of the General Association.

RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

1. The Association, by which the General Association of Massachusetts was originally organized, agreed to admit, and this Association continue to admit, as articles of faith, the doctrines of Christianity, as they are generally expressed in the Assembly's Shorter Catechism; and the above-mentioned doctrines, understood by us to be distinctly those, which from the beginning, have been embraced by the churches of New England as the doctrines of the Gospel, are considered as the basis of our union.

2. This General Association is founded on the principles of Congregationalism, and wholly disclaims ecclesiastical jurisdiction over the churches, or the opinions of individuals. Its object is to promote brotherly harmony and intercourse among the ministers of Christ;—to obtain religious information relative to the state of their churches, and of the christian church in this country, and throughout the world;—and to co-operate with one another, and with other ecclesiastical bodies, in the most eligible measures for advancing the cause of truth and holiness.

3. Each District Association in Massachusetts, consenting to the principles of this Union, as stated in the first article, may appoint two delegates annually, to compose this General Association: and it is recommended, that one be appointed, who attended the preceding year.

4. The time of the annual meeting of this Association, shall be on the fourth Tuesday of June, at five o'clock, P. M., at such place, as shall have been duly notified.

5. Seven members, delegated from the particular Associations of Massachusetts, shall be requisite to form a quorum for transacting any business; but for opening and adjourning the meeting, a less number shall be competent.

6. The secretary, and the minister of the church where the Association meet, shall have seats, and act as members; the Associations to which they belong retaining the right to elect their number of Delegates in addition.

7. The minister of the church in the place where the Association meets, or the secretary, may call the Association to order, and preside in the meeting until the Association shall be properly organized.

8. The certificates of the delegates present shall be read by the Secretary, or by a temporary Scribe; and the Association shall then be organized by the choice of a Moderator, a Scribe, and, if necessary, an assistant Scribe, by ballot. The Rules of the Association shall also be read, and the Moderator shall open the business with prayer.

9. At the opening of the session on each subsequent day, the Moderator shall take the chair at the hour to which the Association stands adjourned; shall immediately call the members to order; direct the roll to be called; shall open the meeting with prayer, and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read; and the session of each day shall be closed with prayer.

10. At each meeting of the Association, a Committee of Arrangements, consisting of three, shall be appointed by nomination, to prepare the business of the session; and no business shall be introduced during the session, but through the hands, and with the approbation of the Committee. But if said Committee decline presenting any item of business proposed by any member, he shall have the privilege of appeal to the Association.

11. Every motion, on being seconded, shall, if requested by the Moderator, or any two members, be reduced to writing, and no motion shall be open to discussion, until it be seconded.

12. The Moderator may speak to points of order, in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house by any two members. But he may not speak to the merits of the question without leaving the chair, and placing some other member in it, to preside while he speaks.

13. On questions of order, adjournment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question, no member shall speak more than once. Nor on any question shall a member speak more than twice, without leave of the Association.

14. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question; viz. Shall the main question be now put? The effect of adopting the previous question shall be to put an end to debate, and to bring the Association to a direct vote upon amendments reported by a Committee, if any, upon pending amendments, and then upon the main question.

15. If a question under debate contain several parts, any member may have it divided, and a question taken on each part.

16. Every member, when speaking, shall address himself to the chair; and shall be subject to no needless interruption; if he act disorderly, it shall be the duty of the Moderator, and the privilege of other members to call him to order.

17. The discussions in the Association, and the whole deportment of the members, shall be in accordance with decorum, with due respect to the chair, and with courtesy to each other.

18. No member shall leave the Association before the session is closed, except with the consent of the body; nor shall any one leave the house during a sitting, without the consent of the Moderator.

19. Each annual meeting shall be closed with a psalm or hymn, and prayer by the Moderator, or such other member as he shall appoint.

20. Our principles of fraternal intercourse with all ecclesiastical bodies in correspondence with us are, that this Association, and each

body connected with it, shall annually appoint Delegates to the other, which shall be admitted to the privilege of sitting, and deliberating upon all matters which may come under consideration.

21. The principle of the connection formed with the Massachusetts Missionary Society is, that said Society may annually appoint two delegates to this body, who shall be admitted to equal privileges with the members from the District Associations.

22. Gentlemen, who are admitted as honorary members, shall be allowed full liberty to take part in all deliberations; though they are not considered as entitled to vote; and it is expected they will give notice to the body, if they find it necessary to withdraw previous to the close of the session. The approbation of the Committee of Arrangements shall be obtained, before a gentleman shall be proposed to sit as an honorary member.

23. The Delegates, who the preceding year attended the meetings of foreign bodies, shall, *ex officio*, have seats as honorary members of the General Association.

24. A Committee of three shall be annually appointed, to submit to the General Association at the next meeting, a *Pastoral Address*, to excite the attention of ministers and Christians to faithful discipline in the churches, the instruction of the rising generation, the sanctification of the Sabbath, and other subjects relating to the general interests of religion. The address being approved by the General Association, shall be signed by the Moderator, and printed with the minutes. This Committee shall be chosen from the several Associations in rotation.

25. The several Associations shall have the offer of receiving, in rotation, the annual meeting of the General Association, and each one, in turn, shall appoint one of their number to preach the Associational Sermon, which shall be delivered at two o'clock, Thursday, P. M., after which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered. The narratives given by the Delegates of the several Associations concerning the state of religion and the churches, shall be given on Wednesday afternoon, and shall be presented in writing, with a view to obtain an accurate account of the principal facts, not however to prevent any more particular details which the Delegates may think expedient to add, or the Association to request. The returns, with respect to the number in the churches, etc., shall be made out according to a printed schedule of this body, and according to the numbers on the first of January past.

26. A Committee shall be appointed to receive the narratives and statements, and shall condense them into one narrative, to be submitted to the General Association and published. The written narratives shall be deposited with the Secretary.

27. A Committee shall be appointed to nominate Delegates to foreign bodies, which delegates shall, as far as practicable, be selected from the District Associations in rotation. The brethren chosen substitutes in the delegations to the several bodies in our connection, shall, at our next session be considered as Delegates to the respective bodies, if they shall not previously have taken their seats there, through the failure of their principals.

28. The Secretary shall be chosen for three years, from the close of the meeting at which the choice shall be made. He shall, *ex officio*, be the Treasurer of the General Association; and shall be allowed his own travelling expenses in attending the meetings of this Association.

A Committee shall be appointed annually, to audit the accounts, who shall report the state of the treasury, and the sum in their opinion necessary to be paid the next year by the members of the several Associations connected with this body. The Secretary shall be authorized to pay such expenses as are allowed by this Association.

29. It shall be the duty of the Delegates of the District Associations, to pay the amount of the Assessments due from their respective Associations for the past year, whether collected by them or not.

30. A Publishing Committee shall be annually appointed, to make such extracts from the minutes of the meeting, as in their judgment it will be proper to publish; procure to be printed such number of copies, with the Pastoral Address and Narrative of the State of Religion, as will give one copy to each minister of the Associations represented in this body; and such a number of copies for other bodies connected with this Association, as shall be mutually agreed upon. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to receive the publications from foreign bodies, and distribute them among the several Associations, in proportion to the tax paid by them respectively. One copy of each publication, received by the General Association, or printed by its order, shall be kept in the archives.

31. An Agent shall be appointed in Boston to transmit the Extracts of the Minutes of this General Association to other ecclesiastical bodies, and to receive their Extracts or other publications, and transmit them to the several District Associations represented in this body. And notice of his appointment and place of business, shall be inserted in the printed Extracts. He shall be entitled to a suitable compensation.

32. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to communicate proper information to the Agent in Boston, and to the Publishing Committee, for their direction.

33. Previously to the close of each meeting, the General Association shall specify a place for meeting the next year, and request some District Association to appoint a preacher to deliver the Associational Sermon. And the church of the place of meeting is desired to make preparations to celebrate the Lord's Supper during the session.

34. A *Vote* or *Resolve* to establish, alter, or annul a *standing rule* of this body, shall be read twice on different days, and may be debated at each reading. At the first reading the question shall be, Shall it be read the second time?

BY-LAWS.

1. An annual sermon shall be preached before the Association, on the subject of Home Missions, and a collection taken. The preacher shall be appointed by this body.
2. No report of the state of religion shall be read in public, unless it be approved by the Association from which it comes, or by the Committee of Arrangements of the General Association.
3. It is recommended to the several District Associations, to have their narratives on the state of religion, condensed, so as not to exceed five minutes in the time of reading.
4. The printed Minutes of this Association, shall be sufficient testimonials of the appointment of Delegates to Foreign Bodies.
5. It shall be the duty of those Delegates who attend the meetings of Foreign Bodies, whether they be Primaries or Substitutes, to certify the Secretary in writing, on or before the opening of the annual meeting next after his appointment.
6. The Minutes of this Association shall be sent to the individual members of the Associations connected with this body by mail, and the Chairman of the Committee of Publication, shall furnish a list of the names required to the Agents of the Association.
7. The Minutes of this body, forwarded to the General Association of Connecticut, shall be, according to their request, sent by mail, under the direction of the Publishing Committee.
8. The names of all the members of the Associations belonging to this body, whether with or without charge, shall be inserted in the published returns.
9. Every church without a pastor, by paying twenty-five cents, annually, to the Treasurer of the General Association, through the Treasurer of the local Association, with which said church is connected, shall be entitled to receive the Minutes of the General Association, to be forwarded in the same way as minutes are forwarded to members of the Association.

APPENDIX.

The order in which the several Associations shall have the offer of receiving the Annual Meeting of the General Association, commencing with the Suffolk North in 1848.

Suffolk North,
Suffolk South,
Vineyard Sound,
Bridgewater,
Salem,
Mendon,
Andover,
Brewster,
Taunton,
Hampshire,
Essex South,
Hampshire East,
Norfolk,
Berkshire,
Middlesex South,
Brookfield,
Old Colony,
Pilgrim,
Hampden East,
Essex North,
Hampden West,
Franklin,
Harmony,
Woburn,
Worcester North,
Middlesex Union,
Worcester Central.

The order in which the several Associations shall appoint one of their number to preach the Associational Sermon, commencing with the Worcester Central, in 1848.

Worcester Central,
Suffolk North,
Suffolk South,
Bridgewater,
Salem,
Vineyard Sound,
Essex South,
Franklin,
Harmony,
Mendon,
Hampden East,
Brookfield,
Hampden West,
Middlesex South,
Norfolk,
Hampshire,
Hampshire East,
Worcester North,
Old Colony,
Pilgrim,
Taunton,
Middlesex Union,
Woburn,
Essex North,
Brewster,
Andover,
Berkshire.

FORM OF A SCHEDULE FOR THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

☞ It is expected that each member of the particular Associations in Massachusetts will make returns agreeably to this form, to his Association at its meeting next preceding each annual meeting of the General Association, and that the Delegates from each Association will combine all the returns to his Association into one, to be presented to the General Association, *arranging the churches in alphabetical order, adding up and stating the whole amount in each column, and making the return, in all respects, as complete as possible.* ☞ The *absent* members are to be regarded as included in the columns with the others.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Total,																	

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BOSTON:
PRESS OF CROCKER AND BREWSTER,
47, Washington-street
1853.

MINUTES.

The General Association of Massachusetts assembled in the Meeting-house of the First Congregational Church in Yarmouth, June 28th, 1853, at 5 o'clock, P. M. The delegates were called to order by Rev. A. K. Packard, pastor of the Church, and Rev. Ebenezer Alden, Jr., was chosen Scribe, *pro tem.*

Delegates.

The following clergymen presented certificates of their election as delegates from the District Associations, and were enrolled as members, viz :—

Andover Association,	Rev. J. H. Towne, Rev. Brown Emerson.
Berkshire North Asso.,	Rev. Robert Crawford, Rev. W. H. Tyler.
Berkshire South Asso.,	Rev. Elias Clark, Rev. Otis Lombard.
Brewster Association,	Rev. O. Myrick, Rev. J. H. Willis.
Bridgewater Association,	No delegate.
Brookfield Association,	Rev. James Kimball, Rev. John Keep.
Essex North Association,	Rev. S. J. Spalding, Rev. Calvin E. Park.
Essex South Association,	Rev. James M. Hoppin, Rev. James Fletcher.
Franklin Association,	Rev. Alfred E. Ives.
Hampden East Association,	Rev. George A. Oviatt.

Hampden West Association,	Rev. Simeon Miller.
Hampshire Association,	Rev. J. S. Judd.
Hampshire East Asso.,	Rev. David Eastman.
Harmony Association,	Rev. L. Griggs.
Mendon Association,	Rev. G. H. Newhall, Rev. Charles Simmons.
Middlesex South Asso.,	Rev. Wm. C. Jackson, Rev. J. C. Webster.
Middlesex Union Asso.,	Rev. Joel S. Bingham, Rev. Edwin R. Hodgman.
Norfolk Association,	Rev. L. R. Phillips, Rev. S. L. Rockwood.
Old Colony Association,	Rev. D. C. Burt.
Pilgrim Association,	Rev. Stillman Pratt, Rev. Ebenezer Alden, Jr.
Salem Association,	Rev. Allen Gannett, Rev. Jeremiah Taylor.
Suffolk North Association,	Rev. Benjamin Tappan, Jr.
Suffolk South Association,	Rev. A. L. Stone.
Taunton Association,	Rev. S. H. Emery, Rev. C. P. Grosvenor.
Vineyard Sound Asso.,	Rev. H. B. Hooker, D. D., Rev. E. Welles.
Woburn Association,	Rev. L. Whiting.
Worcester Central Asso.,	Rev. Daniel R. Cady, Rev. H. B. Holmes.
Worcester North Asso.,	Rev. J. C. Paine, Rev. W. H. Heywood.
Mass. Home Miss. Society,	Rev. J. S. Clark, D. D., Rev. E. A. Lawrence.

Members Ex-Officio.

Rev. Emerson Davis, D. D., Secretary,
Rev. A. K. Packard, Pastor of the Church.

Delegates from Corresponding Bodies.

General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (O. S.),—Rev. Samuel B. Jones, D. D.

General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (N. S.),—Rev. William Adams, D. D.

General Conference of Maine,—Rev. David Cushman.

General Association of New Hampshire,—Rev. J. Scales.

Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island,—Rev. T. A. Taylor.

General Association of Connecticut,—Rev. J. H. Pettingell.

General Association of Michigan,—Rev. Philo R. Hurd.

General Association of Illinois,—Rev. Addison Lyman.

Congregational Union of Canada West,—Rev. A. Geikie.

Honorary Members.

Rev. H. M. Dexter, delegate to last General Association of New Hampshire.

Rev. H. James, delegate to last Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island.

Rev. James P. Terry, delegate to last General Association of Connecticut.

Organization.

Rev. J. S. Clark, D. D., was chosen Moderator; Rev. A. L. Stone, Scribe; and Rev. L. Whiting, Assistant Scribe.

The Rules of the Association were read by the Secretary, and prayer was offered by the Moderator.

Committees.

The following Committees were appointed:—

On Elections,—Rev. Messrs. Rockwood, Gannett and Crawford.

On Arrangements,—Rev. Messrs. Lawrence, Towne and Packard.

On Nominations,—Rev. Messrs. James, Hooker and Spalding.

On Accounts,—Rev. Messrs. Lombard and Fletcher.

On Publication,—Rev. Messrs. Stone, Whiting and J. S. Clark.

To prepare the Narrative of the State of Religion,—Rev. Messrs. Tappan, James, Crawford, Jones and Cushman.

To nominate Delegates to Corresponding Bodies,—Rev. Messrs. Hooker, Griggs and Miller.

Voted, That the several sessions of this Body be opened respectively at 8 o'clock, A. M., 2 o'clock, P. M., and 7¾ o'clock, P. M.

After prayer by the Moderator, the Association adjourned to 8 o'clock, Wednesday morning.

In the evening, a discourse founded upon Phil. 4 : 8, was preached by Rev. S. R. Buckingham.

Wednesday morning, 8 *o'clock*. The Association met according to adjournment. After the calling of the Roll, prayer was offered by the Moderator, and the Minutes of the previous day were read.

Reports from Delegates to Corresponding Bodies.

Rev. John W. Harding reported his attendance at the meeting of the General Association of New York.

A written report was received and read from Rev. Charles S. Porter, of his attendance at the meeting of the General Association of Michigan.

A written report was received and read from Rev. W. A. Stearns and Rev. W. I. Budington, of their attendance as delegates at the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (O. S.), meeting at Philadelphia.

Rev. J. C. Paine reported the reasons of the non-attendance of the delegates appointed to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (N. S.), meeting at Buffalo.

Rev. H. M. Dexter reported his attendance at the meeting of the General Assembly of New Hampshire.

Rev. Horace James reported his attendance at the meeting of the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island.

Rev. J. P. Terry reported his attendance at the meeting of the General Association of Connecticut.

Rev. E. Alden, Jr., reported his attendance at the meeting of the General Association of Iowa.

New Associations.

The Committee on Elections reported the dissolution of the Berkshire Association and the formation of two new Associations in its place, under the respective titles of Berkshire North Association and Berkshire South Association; and recommended the admission of the Associations and their delegates to mem-

bership in this Body, and the proper collocation of the new Associations in the enrolment of members and in the lists arranged in the Appendix.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Report on Frequent Changes in the Ministry.

The Committee appointed at the last meeting of the General Association, to investigate the subject of the frequent dissolution of the pastoral relation, presented the following report, which, on motion, was adopted, and ordered to be printed with the Minutes.

At the meeting of the Massachusetts General Association, holden at Lowell, in June, 1852, it was

Resolved, That in view of the unsettled state of the ministry in this Commonwealth, the frequent dissolution of the pastoral relation (in many cases without sufficient cause), and the alarming consequences to our Zion from this source, a Committee of five be appointed to investigate this subject, and report at the next annual meeting as to the causes and remedies of so great a practical evil.

The Committee appointed under this resolution, having given attention to the subject, beg leave to report:—

Our first inquiry was whether it be a fact, that dismissions are more frequent now than formerly they were, and whether the length of the pastorate in the same place is shorter than it once was.

We found that in Essex County, in 1802, there were 47 settled pastors, the average length of whose pastorates, where then settled, was 19 1-4 years. In 1852, there were in the same County 45 Orthodox Congregational pastors, the average length of whose pastorates was 13 1-2 years.

In Norfolk County, in 1802, there were 28 pastors, the average length of whose pastorates was 16 3-4 years; but in 1852, the average length of its 28 pastorates was only 10 1-9 years.

In Berkshire County, in 1802, there were 16 pastors, the average length of whose pastorates was 18 years. In 1852, the average length of 21 pastorates was only 5 2-5 years.

In the whole of the three Counties, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin, there were in 1802, 53 pastors, the average length of whose pastorates was 19 1-5 years. In 1852, there

were 71, the average length of whose pastorates was 9 1-2 years.

Your Committee have made other examinations and comparisons, till they are satisfied that where pastors fifty years ago continued in the same place 9 years, they now continue not more than from 3 to 6 years.

The resolution speaks of the alarming consequences to our Zion from this source. One of these is that the harmony and peace of churches and parishes are greatly disturbed by the course they pursue to get rid of a minister and to procure a successor. Some are always desirous of retaining their pastor, to which others are opposed. Though the pastor should keep quiet, his dismission will be a subject of strife and debate among the people. Sometimes the controversy becomes so warm that the church divides, and instead of one, there are two feeble churches, one of which, perhaps, asks for missionary aid. When there is discord in a church, if one party is pleased with a candidate, the other is sure to be displeased. The result is, that they remain destitute a long time, or settle a man in whom they are not perfectly united, and he enters upon his labors with the fact staring him in the face, that he cannot long continue.

The divisions that grow out of the dismission of ministers mar the piety of churches and retard the spiritual growth of the members. It is deserving of notice, that where a minister is dismissed, the stream of Christian benevolence that flowed from that church becomes nearly dry, and our missionary operations at home and abroad are made to suffer.

Another consequence of these frequent changes is, that the respect of the people for the ministry is diminished. In order to effect in haste the dissolution of the pastoral relation, a minister's faults are searched out, talked about in families, and greatly magnified. It may be his name becomes a proverb and by-word among the ungodly. Some become prejudiced against all ministers, and are less willing to contribute to their support.

Another consequence is, that it leads to a general depravation of morals, and begets in the minds of the young a recklessness in regard to religion. All who are acquainted with the moral and religious aspect of communities, where the pastoral relation has frequently been dissolved, may see at a glance, that the effect of these changes is evil, and in some cases only evil. Some churches do not recover from the shock for a whole generation.

We are required by the resolution to speak of the *causes* of this great practical evil.

One cause of frequent changes in the ministry, is the fact that neither the people nor the pastor expect it to be for life. Once it was understood that the union between the pastor and people was almost as sacred and indissoluble as that of husband and wife. He was, at his settlement, furnished with a house and a lot of land, or with the means of purchasing one. There was no intention on the part of either to take any measures to sunder the tie. The people had invested capital in the minister; having, at considerable expense, given him an outfit, they would not think of dismissing him, unless there were reasons for it of a special character. On the other hand, the minister, having received such an outfit from the people, felt himself bound to abide in his place. The giving and receiving of a settlement was a sort of mutual pledge that the union should not be dissolved for any trivial reasons.

But the times have changed. No such pledge is given, and we do not think there is such an honest purpose on the part of either minister or people to make the union permanent. Though it is often said, we hope this union will be dissolved only by death, yet there is an intention that it shall be severed, if any thing should occur that shall seem to render it desirable.

The contract between the pastor and the people in years past, has often contained a provision, that it may be dissolved by either party's giving three or six months notice of their wish to have it dissolved. Why such a provision, if it is believed it will be permanent? People often seem more anxious to know at the beginning how to get rid of their minister, than how they can retain him. Some restless spirits seem to be looking anxiously for an occasion to see how easily a dismission can be effected. We think, therefore, that one cause of short pastorates, grows out of a feeling, that they will be short. They are not regarded as unions that must not be dissolved for trifling reasons.

Another cause of short pastorates, grows out of hasty settlements. Sometimes the pastor, who has been suddenly dismissed, having a family to provide for, and being dependent on his daily labor for their daily bread, is in haste to be re-settled. He preaches from one to three Sabbaths, has a slight acquaintance with a very few, who esteem him most highly, and receives a call, which he accepts. It soon appears that there are difficulties of long standing; and that the few, who did not vote for

his settlement, are more influential than he supposed, and the prospect of usefulness is rather dark. He finds that the society is in debt, and that brotherly love does not abound; or it may be, the minister is not so well adapted to that particular place as he is to some other. As soon as they become acquainted with each other, one or the other perceives his mistake, which produces coldness, and leads to a dismission. Formerly, it was not uncommon for candidates for settlement, to preach from three months to a year, before receiving a call. We can point to numerous cases, in which the candidate preached more years prior to his settlement, than most now do Sabbaths. We are fully of the opinion, that hasty settlements are often the occasion of short pastorates.

Another cause of short pastorates, is thought to be a want of sufficient and proper preparation for the duties of the sacred office.

By an insufficient preparation, we mean an insufficient knowledge of human nature. If a young man commences his preparatory course at an early age, goes through college and the theological seminary, he enters the ministry having only a limited acquaintance with any class of persons except students. It can hardly be supposed that he will have that knowledge of the world *as it is*, that will enable him to adapt his discourses in the best manner to all the varieties of character of which a congregation is composed.

By a lack of proper preparation, we mean a lack of energy and determination to go forward. We have noticed, in looking over lists of dismissions, that many of them occur within three or four years after settlement. Young men in their preparatory course, examine subjects and collect materials that enable them to write sermons for a short time with comparative ease. When they have gone over the topics they have investigated, and have used up their materials, then comes a crisis. Unless they are full of high and noble purposes, their sermons are likely to lose their freshness and interest, and the people will begin to discover a falling off, in point of vigor. It requires energy and a relish for hard study, for a young man to meet this crisis and go on improving. We think that a lack of it makes some willing to be dismissed, and remove to another field, where they may repeat what has been written.

In this connection we would say that the amount of labor required of ministers now is very great; sermons must be prepared in haste, and men feel as if it would be pleasant and de-

sirable to change their location, so as to be able to bestow on the sermons they have written, another week's labor. Our opinion is, that when they change the place, they keep the pain, and that they can revise their sermons without the trouble of entering a new field, more easily than with.

Another cause of the short pastorates, and the last we shall mention, is inadequate support. We know that all ministers are obliged to practise rigid economy to make their salary meet their expenses. We do not think that ministers ought to be rich and increasing in goods, but they ought to live as comfortably as the average of their parishioners, and to have their salary promptly paid in cash, so as to enable them to deal honestly with their fellow men. The minister, in country towns perhaps more than in cities, is a representative of the parish. If he is pinched with poverty, unable to go abroad and mingle with his brethren, if he cannot replenish his library occasionally by adding to it a few new books, the people suffer in consequence of it. We intended to give great prominence to a want of support, as a cause of frequent dismissions; but during the past year, we have been gratified to learn that the people are turning their attention to this subject, and that the salaries of many ministers have already been increased. This is a confession on the part of the people that the support is inadequate; and as they have begun to rectify the evil, it seems hardly proper for us to speak with great severity.

After having said thus much respecting the causes of short pastorates, the remedies will readily suggest themselves to every reflecting mind.

1. Let the people be instructed more fully in regard to the sacredness of the pastoral relation, that it is a tie that cannot be sundered for trifling reasons without great moral injury to that party that does it. Let them be told the temporal and spiritual advantages that may be expected to follow in the train of long pastorates, and that a man of moderate ability will accomplish more in the same place in twenty years, than can be accomplished by four men of much greater ability, by laboring five years each. A good man who is devoted to his work, by remaining in the same place long, acquires an influence, that one who changes his place often can never gain.

2. Let pastor and people avoid hasty settlements.

3. Let young ministers before taking charge of a parish, spend a few months with some settled pastor, assisting him in attending meetings and funerals, in visiting from house to house,

and in preparing sermons suggested by the scenes in which he mingles. Let them when settled, think of the crisis that will come, when writing sermons may "a task and burden prove," and by prayerfulness and hard study, find an ever present impulse urging them onward.

4. Let parishes be instructed in some way, in regard to the provision they should make for the support of their ministers. We would suggest to pastors who may be called to address the people at ordinations and installations, to make this the prominent topic in the address, especially in places where the salary is very small. The people should be urged to provide parsonages. If small parishes would make a special effort to provide a comfortable parsonage, and give their minister the use of it, in addition to the usual salary, it would prevent many dismissions. We would not recommend the building of parsonages, if the minister is to be charged a high rent to be deducted from a small salary.

We conclude this report with an extract from a tract recently published by the Congregational Union of England and Wales, on the same subject.

"Deacons should feel the obligation laid upon them by their office, to set an example of concern for their minister's relief from excessive worldly care. If there be straitness, it is theirs to reduce it if possible. If they cannot increase his permanent income, they may effect something, perhaps, for the family, by insurance in the event of his death; or it may be, something for himself, in the shape of annuity in old age. They do not use their office well, if, through their want of diligence and system, the pastor suffers want. Apart from personal friendship that might be supposed to move them, they are bound, as selected by the church to watch over its general interests, to give heed to this very thing."

In behalf of the Committee,

E. Davis.

Resolved, That it be recommended to each pastor within the bounds of the Association, to communicate this report in some suitable manner to his congregation.

Corresponding Members.

Rev. Samuel R. Buckingham, Rev. A. Eldridge and Rev. Enoch Pratt being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

Voted, That the General Association of California be received into fellowship and correspondence with this Body.

Pastoral Address.

The Pastoral Address was read by Rev. H. B. Hooker, D. D., Chairman of the Committee, and on motion, adopted and ordered to be printed with the Minutes.

Devotional Exercises.

At a quarter before 11 o'clock, A. M., the Association voted to spend fifteen minutes in devotional exercises, which was done.

Distributing Agent.

Voted, That the printer or printers employed to publish the Minutes of this Body, shall also be appointed as Distributing Agent for the Minutes.

Correspondence with Railroad Companies.

Voted, That our Secretary be authorized to make such arrangements as can be made with any railroad companies to secure a reduction of fares in attending our future meetings.

Committee on Sabbath Desecration.

A resolution was moved on the subject of Sabbath desecration by the transportation of the mails, which was referred to a special Committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs. Hoppin, Griggs and Cady, to report resolutions for the action of this body.

Congregational Library Association.

Voted, Whereas, a Congregational Library Association has been recently formed at Boston, designed to cement the bonds of fellowship in our denomination, and also to collect and preserve historical memorials, therefore

Resolved, That this Body earnestly commends this Association to the attention of ministers and laymen, as suited to meet a social and religious necessity in our connection, which the spirit of Christianity, our form of Church government, and the value of our historical reminiscences loudly call on us to supply.

Place of next Meeting.

Voted, That the next meeting of this Body be held in the meeting-house of the Central Church in Fall River, Rev. Eli Thurston, Pastor. Harmony Association to appoint the Associational Preacher.

Rev. Messrs. Cobb, Blodgett and Thurston, from the Taunton Association, were appointed a Committee to prepare the next Pastoral Letter.

Preacher on Home Missions.

Rev. M. P. Braman, of Danvers, was appointed first Preacher before the Home Missionary Society for the next year, and Rev. Mark Hopkins, D. D., of Williamstown, his substitute.

Change of Organization.

The following resolution from Essex North Association, presented by their delegates, was moved.

Resolved, That our delegates to the General Association be instructed to bring before that body the question of the expediency of so altering the Constitution as to admit a lay representation, and exert whatever appropriate influence they may be able in favor of this measure.

Pending discussion on a motion to refer to a Special Committee, the Association adjourned to 2 o'clock, P. M.

Reports of State of Religion.

2 *o'clock, P. M.* After singing, and uniting in prayer with Rev. A. Geikie, of Canada West, the Association listened to reports of the state of religion within the bounds of the bodies represented in it.

The salutations of the General Association of the Presbyterian Church (O. S.), last meeting at Philadelphia, were presented by Rev. Samuel B. Jones, D. D., delegate from that Body.

Rev. J. H. Pettingell, delegate from the General Association of Connecticut, presented the fraternal greetings of that Body.

Rev. David Cushman, delegate from the General Conference of Maine, made report of the state of educational, moral and religious interests within the bounds of that Conference.

Rev. J. Scales presented the salutations of the General Association of New Hampshire, as delegate from that Body.

Rev. T. A. Taylor, delegate from the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island, presented the greeting of that Body to the Association.

Rev. Philo R. Hurd, delegate from the General Association of Michigan, reported the religious and moral aspect of affairs in that State.

Rev. Addison Lyman, delegate from the General Association of Illinois, gave statements in regard to the condition of the Congregational Churches in that State.

Letters were read from the General Association of Iowa, and the General Association of New York, expressing the Christian salutations of those Bodies.

After uniting in prayer with Rev. W. H. Tyler, the Association adjourned to 7¾ o'clock, evening, to hear the sermon upon Home Missions.

7¾ *o'clock, P. M.* Association assembled pursuant to adjournment, and listened to the sermon on Home Missions, preached by Rev. Prof. Phelps, of Andover, from Ps. 51 : 12, 13. After which a collection was taken up, amounting to $17.76.

Adjourned to 8 A. M., to-morrow.

Thursday morning, 8 *o'clock.* After prayer by the Moderator, and the calling of the Roll, the Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion,

Voted, To assign the half hour from 9 o'clock to 9½, for remaining reports from delegates representing foreign bodies.

The motion to refer the memorial of Essex North Association on the subject of admitting a lay representation in this Body, to a Special Committee, was taken up, debated and lost.

Delegates to Foreign Bodies.

The following appointments were made of delegates to Foreign Bodies in correspondence with us.

To the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (O. S.), next meeting in Buffalo, 3d Tuesday of May, 1854 :

Rev. J. B. Waterbury, D. D.,	Primaries.
Rev. J. Emery,	
Rev. A. Eldridge,	Substitutes.
Rev. Lewis Sabin,	

To the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (N. S.), next meeting at Philadelphia, 3d Tuesday of May, 1854:

Rev. E. Hitchcock, D. D., } Primaries.
Rev. C. I. Hinsdale, }
Rev. A. L. Stone, } Substitutes.
Rev. Samuel Harris, }

To the General Conference of Maine, next meeting in Bangor, 3d Tuesday of June, 1854:

Rev. B. Emerson, D. D., } Primaries.
Rev. Edward Beecher, D. D., }
Rev. Elias Wells, } Substitutes.
Rev. B. F. Hosford, }

To the General Association of New Hampshire, next meeting at Littleton, 4th Tuesday of August, 1853:

Rev. Jonathan Edwards, } Primaries.
Rev. T. Packard, Jr., }
Rev. Lyman Cutler, } Substitutes.
Rev. David Eastman, }

To the General Convention of Vermont:

Rev. Mark Hopkins, D. D., } Primaries.
Rev. J. B. Baldwin, }
Rev. A. M. Colton, } Substitutes.
Rev. J. M. Prince, }

To the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island, next meeting in Providence, 2d Tuesday of June, 1854:

Rev. J. M. Hoppin, } Primaries.
Rev. E. Thurston, }
Rev. Jacob White, } Substitutes.
Rev. Osborn Myrick, }

To the General Association of Connecticut, next meeting at ———, 3d Tuesday of June, 1854:

Rev. Nehemiah Adams, D. D., } Primaries.
Rev. H. M. Field, }
Rev. Lyman Whiting, } Substitutes.
Rev. John Todd, }

To the General Association of New York, next meeting at Owego, August 24, 1853:

Rev. E. Maltby, } Primaries.
Rev. J. H. Bisbee, }
Rev. C. Packard, } Substitutes.
Rev. Samuel Howe, }

To the General Association of Michigan, next meeting at Detroit, 4th Tuesday of May, 1854:

Rev. D. R. Cady, } Primaries.
Rev. J. J. Abbott, }
Rev. M. R. Cross, } Substitutes.
Rev. S. G. Buckingham, }

To the General Association of Wisconsin:

Rev. Horace James, Primary.
Rev. I. P. Langworthy, Substitute.

To the General Association of Illinois, next meeting at Chicago, 3d Tuesday of May, 1854:

Rev. J. W. Ward, Primary.
Rev. J. C. Webster, Substitute.

To the General Associations of California and Oregon:

Rev. E. Davis, D. D., Primary.
Rev. J. S. Clark, D. D., Substitute.

To the Congregational Union of Canada:

Rev. Willard Child, D. D., } Primaries.
Rev. G. W. Bourne, }
Rev. B. Tappan, Jr., } Substitutes.
Rev. A. E. P. Perkins, }

To the Congregational Union of England and Wales:

Rev. J. H. Towne.

Committee on Infant Baptism.

Voted, That a Committee of three be appointed to ascertain the existing facts in reference to the baptism of infants in our Churches, inquire after causes of the neglect of infant baptism and present a report at the next meeting of this Body.

Committee—Rev. Dr. N. Adams, George A. Oviatt and Samuel Harris.

Voted, That the evening of Tuesday, now unappropriated by this Association, be hereafter devoted to hearing the sermon before the Home Missionary Society, and that the reports from foreign bodies be assigned for Wednesday evening.

Doctrinal Tract and Book Society.

Resolved, 1*st*, That this Association learn with pleasure that the Doctrinal Tract and Book Society are publishing valuable Theological books, including the works of the New England fathers and other distinguished writers, and that the Society design, as far as their means will permit, to furnish both our Foreign and Home Missionaries with their publications.

Resolved, 2*d*, That facts justify the conclusion that the want of books among some of this class of ministers is more afflictive to the Churches than the want of bread.

Resolved, 3*d*, That we commend this Society to the attention and contributions of benevolent individuals and of Churches in our connection.

9 *o'clock*, *A. M.* Rev. William Adams, D. D., presented the Christian salutations of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (N. S.), last meeting at Buffalo, as delegate from that Body.

Rev. A. Geikie presented the fraternal greeting of the Congregational Union of Canada West, as delegate from that Body.

The Committee on Accounts presented the following report, which was, on motion, adopted.

The Committee on Accounts report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, with the vouchers accompanying them, and find them to be correct. The whole amount received into the treasury from the several District Associations, is $188.25. This, with the $12.12 remaining as the balance from last year's account, makes the sum of $200.37 received into the treasury during the year. The Bridgewater Association and the Mendon Association, have not yet paid their tax for 1852.

We find that the whole sum paid out by our Treasurer during the year, is $165.05, leaving a balance of $35.32 now in the hands of the Treasurer.

We recommend that a tax of 50 cents be assessed upon each member of the local Associations, in order to meet the probable expenses of the coming year.

Otis Lombard,
James Fletcher.

Resolved, That the question of altering the Rules of this Association, so that greater efficiency may be given to this Body, be referred to a Special Committee to report at the next meeting of the General Association.

Committee of Reference—Rev. Dr. Dimmick, Rev. Dr. E. Davis, Rev. Dr. S. Sweetser, Rev. S. G. Buckingham and Rev. A. L. Stone.

Resolutions on Sabbath Desecration.

The Committee to which was referred the subject of action in relation to Sabbath Desecration, reported the following resolutions, which were, on motion, adopted.

Resolved, 1*st*, That as the sanctification of the Christian Sabbath is one of the firmest safeguards of society, as well as one of the highest requirements of religion, we, as Christians and citizens, express our strong disapproval of the transportation of the mail on the Lord's day.

Resolved, 2*d*, That we notice with great satisfaction the recent reported vote of the stockholders of the New Haven and New York Railroad Company, instructing the directors not to re-contract with the Post Office Department to carry the United States Mail on the Sabbath, and we would express the earnest hope that other railroad corporations would imitate this salutary example.

Narrative of the State of Religion.

The narrative of the religious state of the Churches for the past year, was read, adopted, and ordered to be printed with the Minutes.

Resolved, That a copy of the Minutes of this Association be sent to the secretaries of the different benevolent societies and ecclesiastical bodies in correspondence with this Body.

Resolved, That the Publishing Committee be instructed to secure the names of the Scribes of the District Associations, and publish the same in the Minutes of this year; and that the delegates furnish with their annual statistics the name of the Scribe of the Association which they represent.

Resolution on Peace.

Resolved, That we cordially commend to the favor and coöperation of the Christian community, the special efforts now

making by the friends of peace to secure permanent peace between this country and England, by a provision in the pending treaty between them, for the adjustment of all future misunderstandings by reference in the last resort to umpires instead of the sword.

Resolution on Slaveholding.

Resolved, That, in continuing our correspondence with southern ecclesiastical bodies, this Association, so far from expressing any satisfaction with the practice of slaveholding, desire it to be understood, that in connection with other objects, it is for the purpose of bearing their continued and earnest testimony against the sin of slaveholding, and exerting their appropriate influence in favor of its speedy removal.

Resolution in relation to Publishing Societies.

Resolved, That while the General Association of Massachusetts entertain a profound regard for our large Publishing Societies, and rejoice in the great good they are accomplishing, they would express an earnest desire that these societies would not make the subject of Slavery an exception in their efforts to rid the world of all iniquity by diffusing throughout it an evangelical literature, but would set forth in their publications the sentiments of our common Christianity on the enormous sin of slavery, with the same freedom and faithfulness with which they exhibit and rebuke all other sins.

Committee on Schedule.

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to prepare a Schedule to regulate the appointment of delegates to foreign bodies in correspondence with us, and report at the next meeting of the General Association.

Committee—Rev. Dr. Davis, Rev. S. H. Emery and Rev. Dr. Smalley.

Vote of Thanks.

Voted, That the thanks of this Association be cordially and earnestly tendered to the Church and people of Rev. A. K. Packard and to other families in Yarmouth, for their generous hospitalities to the members of the Association in this present session; to the Choir, for their very acceptable performances

on the occasion of our public meetings; and to the Moderator, for the courtesy, patience and ability with which he has presided over the deliberations of this Body.

The Minutes were read and approved, and after singing, and uniting in prayer with the Moderator, the Association adjourned until 2 P. M.

2 *o'clock, P. M.* The Association met to observe the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The sermon was preached by Rev. Alfred E. Ives, of Deerfield, from 1 Cor. 1 : 30. Rev. Dr. Davis, of Westfield, and Rev. J. Scales, of New Hampshire, administered the Sacrament.

After prayer, the Association adjourned *sine die.*

J. S. CLARK, D. D., *Moderator.*

A. L. STONE, *Scribe.*

L. WHITING, *Assistant Scribe.*

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

No thrilling narrative can be given of the progress of religion during the past year. There is gratifying evidence, however, of vitality in the churches, and of peaceful and healthful growth. The accessions to individual churches have in few cases been large; but a larger number of churches, perhaps, have been blest, than in most former years; and it may be found, when the statistical returns are complete, that the aggregate increase compares favorably with that of our more prosperous years. It is interesting to know that the Colleges at Amherst and Williamstown, some of our Academies, and the female schools at Mount Holyoke, Pittsfield, Great Barrington and Norton, have shared in these gentle effusions of the Spirit.

The ranks of the ministry have been again invaded repeatedly by death. Sykes, Warner, Hubbard, Fowler, Smith, Stone,* are no longer with us. We bless God, however, that so many remain, and that so many of the *fathers* still continue, to aid us by their counsels and to bless the churches by their wise and faithful labors. There are some evidences of an increasing sense of the value of the pastoral relation. The pastoral tie has been ruptured in more cases than we like to speak of; but it has also been happily preserved in some most trying circum-

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* Rev. Oren Sykes, Pastor of the Congregational Church in Bedford, died Dec. 15, 1852, aged 47 years.

Rev. A. B. Warner, Pastor of the Mystic Church in Medford, died May 26, 1853, aged 39 years.

Rev. O. G. Hubbard, Pastor of the Church in Leominster, died Aug. 15, 1852, aged 45 years.

Rev. Orin Fowler, of Fall River, died at Washington, while member of the House of Representatives, September 4, 1852, aged 61 years.

Rev. George P. Smith, Pastor of the Old South Church in Worcester, died Sept. 3, 1852, aged 38 years.

Rev. Micah Stone, of Brookfield, died Sept. 21, 1852, aged 82 years, wanting one day.

stances, and in very many cases was never stronger than at present. Many churches are giving an ampler support to their pastors than in former years, and multiplying the proofs of their love in other ways. Several vacant pulpits have been filled with able and excellent men, on whose labors the seal of God's blessing has already been put.

Sabbath Schools are generally flourishing. From some quarters, however, we regret to hear complaints of the neglect of religious instruction in the family, and partial inattention to the baptism of the infant children of the church. But we rejoice to be able to say that elsewhere there is increased regard to infant baptism; and it is fervently to be hoped, that there may be nowhere among us any continuing neglect of so important an ordinance.

There are evidences of progressive attachment to the great causes of church benevolence. Our standard of liberality will yet reach, we doubt not, a far higher point; yet the churches of Massachusetts cannot be too grateful that they are permitted to do so much from year to year for the spread of the gospel. Probably they have in no year done more, than in that which has just expired.

Evidence comes up from different parts of the State, that much hard work remains to be done before the sale of liquors for intoxicating purposes will cease. And we think it cannot be too deeply impressed upon the minds of our ministers and members, that let civil legislation be the most perfect possible, they must long persevere in well doing in reference to this matter—laboring the more strenuously as legislation becomes more stringent, and forgetting not that the gospel in men's hearts can alone rid us completely and finally of the evil.

It only remains to say that we have been gratified during the present session of our Association, at the presence of delegates from so many of the ecclesiastical bodies with which we are in fellowship and correspondence, and at the intelligence communicated by them of the prosperity of the kingdom which is so dear to us all, within their limits.

PASTORAL LETTER.

Beloved Brethren,—

We come to you as ministers of Christ in this epistle, on a deeply interesting errand to ourselves, and we think we can make it appear, that errand is of high importance to you. We come, not in the spirit of authority and of command, but in a way better suited to win your confidence and regard. We come to ask a very great favor of you, brethren. We wish you to do that which will very greatly augment the happiness of our pastoral life and labors. We are your servants for Christ's sake, and yet solicit service of you. We are capable of a kind of happiness which it is your privilege to confer. We have already had something of this at your hands, and the sacred pleasure it has given us, stimulates us to seek for more of the same kind.

And the more boldly do we press our invitation, in that you yourselves cannot be impoverished, but must be greatly enriched by the joy you shall thus impart. If an Apostle was not backward to press the injunction, "Fulfil ye my joy,"—neither do we feel ashamed to come to you on the same errand.

And the happiness that we seek is that which will arise from *our evidence of the eminence of your piety.* If Paul could joyfully say, "We were comforted in all our afflictions by your faith," we desire the privilege of using the same language in reference to yourselves. And that we may be able to furnish you with some important topics of reflection in relation to this subject, we will state some of the ways in which your eminent devotion to the service of God will cause our joy.

1. You will thus confirm our confidence in the Divine nature and power of the gospel we preach. We glory in all the various internal evidences we have of its truth, and had we never seen

an instance of the practical power of gospel truths upon human character, we should still rejoice in them as precious pearls dropped from the celestial world.

But every instance of the gospel's power over the human heart to raise it from its sinful degradation and liken it to God, is a new and beautiful star on an already brilliant firmament. And when we see any of you emerging from the darkness and guilt of a sinful life, and gaining higher and higher elevation of Christian character; when we see the lovely image of our Divine Redeemer brought out more vividly and more apparent to all men in your glowing likeness to him; then and therein do we see the glory of the gospel. Its precious truths, believed, and loved, and obeyed, have given you this moral elevation. And we love the gospel the more, and have more affecting impressions of its Divine power, in view of the moral excellence it has wrought in you. And we submit if it be not a noble work for any saint to be such a saint as to give the minister of Christ a livelier apprehension of the value of the gospel as the wisdom and power of God.

2. Your eminent piety will give us the joyful assurance that all our messages shall find warm and welcoming hearts.

Low degrees of piety are often found in alliance with a cavilling and captious spirit. And not a few there are in Zion whose spiritual appetite is such that the gospel does not suit them save it comes as when one brings "butter in a lordly dish." The things of the kingdom must come clothed in such and such peculiar forms of speech, and something very captivating must mark the speaker's mode of appeal. And, because few can reach the eminence prescribed, these spiritual dyspeptics remain, to a great extent, unblest by the gospel, and by a responsibility all their own, they are the lean kine of the Lord's heritage.

But eminent spirituality of mind in you, brethren, will place you in a totally different relation to us. Such a spirituality implies hungering and thirsting after righteousness—intense desire for spiritual nourishment. And in quest of it you will visit the house of God little concerned, or curious concerning who is to furnish it. If the trembling hands of age are stretched forth to give it, warm will be your welcome of it. If inexperienced youth is the Lord's ambassador, savory will be the viands borne even by such hands. You will have little heart to inquire whether the preacher be old or young, learned or unlearned, coarse or accomplished. To whichsoever of these classes we

severally happen to belong, we shall find devout, intent, docile, loving hearers.

In the conviction that we have such disciples among us, we can study out the great truths we are to preach with joyful diligence, and a delightful presentiment of usefulness. If, at times, in our despondency and self-distrust, we seem to be as the raven, the unclean bird that fed the hungry prophet, yet it will greatly comfort us that we have, if not literally prophets, yet such hearers to feed; souls not curious about the dish, or him that bears it, but hungering for the word of life.

3. Your eminent piety will greatly comfort us in the assurance it will give us that we have fellow-laborers.

We are social beings, brethren, and dearly love sociality in the things of the kingdom of God. It is not good for us to be alone in that great warfare we have engaged to carry on against the guilt and misery of the world. We confess there are times, when, through the coldness and backwardness of those called the Lord's, we have felt bereaved and sad—have felt the loneliness of those who are deprived of their natural helpers. We could not relax our labor if we had not sympathizing breasts and coöperating hands; yet were we shorn of our strength, and the burden bore heavily upon us.

But, when the rising spirituality and growing fervor of God's people brought them to our aid, then was there sweet music in the voices we heard. We were alone no longer. Blessed is the pastor, whose own warm heart is made still warmer by the sacred fire that burns in the bosoms of the faithful saints around him, and who goes on with his arduous labors, feeling, that on all hands about him, there are zealous and earnest co-workers in promoting the kingdom of God.

4. Permit us to add, brethren, your earnest piety will give us a more joyful boldness in pressing the claims of the gospel upon perishing sinners.

In seeking to lead men to God and heaven, we must, at times, bring out into as clear a light as possible, those graces of character which constitute true piety, and which qualify men for eternal life. We must present as impressive representations as we are able, of love, faith, zeal for God's glory, compassion for the lost, meekness, forbearance, &c. These are various forms of the beauty of holiness, and men must have clear ideas of them, so that they may see what they themselves are not, and yet what they must be, in order to reach heaven.

Now, brethren, we present our messages on these points to sinners, with sad presentiments of their caviling and scorn, when we are conscious that serious defects mark the characters of Christians around us. We anticipate with pain the self-justifying references sure to be made to your moral blemishes.

But when filled with holy exultation in view of your glowing piety, when we are joyfully conscious that the pictures we draw of the beauty of the Christian graces are but transcripts of your own characters, then a most delightful animation is enkindled in our work. With vigor do we bend the bow, and it is not the blunted but the sharpened arrow that we send. We are strong for God in our great work. We labor in precious hope. Ye do thus greatly comfort and strengthen us, brethren.

5. Permit us to add, we rejoice in the eminent piety of the saints, because it powerfully and happily reacts upon our own.

As we, from time to time, make pastoral visits among our people, we find, here and there, specimens of deep and fervent piety most comforting to our hearts. We have seen love in such fervency, and faith so strong, and hope so bright, and submission in trial so profound, and meekness and gentleness under injuries so captivating, and visions of eternal things so clear and affecting, that the preacher has become the hearer, and the teacher the taught, and he that came to raise the disciple's piety higher, has gone home to mourn that *his own* came not up to the beautiful specimen he had found in certain of the saints. Some of you, by the eminent beauty of your holiness, have virtually bidden us shake ourselves from the dust, and seek to gain your own high position upon the Delectable mountains. We have been reproved, humbled, and stimulated to an higher and holier consecration of ourselves to God by what we have seen in some of you. Would that all the Lord's servants were prophets—that not one of the beloved disciples of Christ under our care but would rise to that high moral position which should call us up also to more eminent holiness. We are joyfully willing, brethren, to take all the admonition your more eminent piety shall give us, and to be incited by it to run with you the race in an holy strife of ascertaining which of the parties shall possess most of the likeness of our common Lord.

Give, then, beloved in the Lord, your spiritual guides, that eminently attractive influence in behalf of their own higher consecration to God which is found in your own exalted piety. We preach to you the glorious gospel of the blessed God. Return

our labor of love by that preaching to us which will arise from its high sanctifying power over you. We cannot but feel such a ministration. You will thus cast fuel on the fire of our piety, which, by our augmented zeal and love, shall react again happily upon you.

6. It only remains to say, your holy devotion to God will fulfill our joy by the cheering hope it will inspire that we shall meet and dwell with you in the happy realms above.

Our care and labor has been that we aid you in the attainment of the sublimest joy a human being can reach, viz:—a presentation faultless and blameless before the throne of God. No being but the Infinite knows the depth and fervor of our longings that you might be our joy and our crown in the day of the Lord Jesus. Some of our brightest and sweetest anticipations of heaven have had respect to recognizing you in that blessed world as sons and daughters of the Lord Almighty.

Now, brethren, stronger and more joyful grows this hope with all the tokens of your advancing piety. The more of the beauty of holiness we can discern in you, the brighter shine all the Christian graces; the more pure, and spiritual, and heavenly your minds become, the more do our rejoicing eyes thus behold of your fitness for the heavenly home, and the more assuredly do we hope that pastor and people shall review the happy fellowship of earth, in the happier fellowship of heaven. Is it too much to ask, that by holy and still holier lives you will cheer us with such blessed hopes?

Now, if all these things are so, brethren, then you can perceive that you sustain a most interesting and important relation to us. How much of our happiness is in your hands! You can throw an inexpressible gloom and sadness over us, weakening our hands and discouraging our hearts. But, on the other hand, you can gladden us as no language can describe. Your eminent piety will cause our happy hearts to exclaim with Paul, "For what thanks can we render to God again for you, for all the joy wherewith we joy for your sakes before our God." What then will you do with the happiness of those who are over you in the Lord? That precious trust is in your keeping. Shall we not find that we have committed it to safe hands? Shall not the history of our future intercourse with you be the history of men who can say, "We have no greater joy than to see our children walking in the truth,"—that joy being realized by our beholding your eminent piety?

TREASURER'S REPORT.

General Association of Massachusetts, in account with E. DAVIS, *Treasurer.*

			Cr.
June	1852.	Balance in Treasury, ...	$12 12
"	1853.	Received from District Associations, ...	188 25
			$200 37

Contra, Dr.

Sept.	13, 1852.	Paid Crocker and Brewster, for postage on Minutes for 1852, ...	$14 52	
June,	1853.	Paid H. M. Dexter, for postage on letters sent by him as publishing committee, . . .	3 00	
"	"	Paid Crocker and Brewster, for printing Minutes, etc.	136 75	
"	"	Paid for a package from New Haven, . .	38	
"	"	Secretary's travelling expenses, . . .	10 40	—165 05
		Balance in the Treasury,		$35 32

We have examined the Treasurer's accounts, and find them correct.

OTIS LOMBARD,
JAMES FLETCHER, } *Com. on Accounts.*

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

Arranged in the Alphabetical order of the several District Associations.

N. B. The columns denoting Churches, Ministers, and date of Settlement, correspond with the facts as they were supposed to exist when the last meeting of the General Association was held, June, 1853. The number of Communicants is reported for 1st January preceding. The Admissions, Removals, and Baptisms, are designed to cover the year 1852. The Sabbath Schools and Bible Classes embrace both teachers and pupils who usually attend these exercises. In a *few* instances the number of church members has been supplied from the returns of the previous year,—though not till all reasonable efforts have failed to secure the present number.

1. ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.			Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Andover, South,	Oct. 17, 1711	Charles Smith,	Oct. 25, 1852	103	268	371	73	6	6	12	4	22		26		4	200
" West,	Dec. 5, 1826	C. H. Pierce,	Oct. 9, 1852	74	150	224	35	5		5	1	2		3		9	240
" North,	Sept. 3, 1834	W. T. Briggs,	Nov. 4, 1846	19	64	83		12	5	17	3	1		4	6	9	150
" Theol. Sem.		R. Emerson, D. D.															
Chelmsford, North,	April 27, 1824	B. F. Clark,	Aug. 1, 1839	34	54	88	16	1	3	4	1	1		2	1	3	100
Dracut, 1st Evan. ch.	1721	G. W. Thompson,	Stated supply.	28	60	88	15										60
" West,	Aug. 31, 1797	B. Emerson,	June 5, 1850	30	72	102		17		17	3	3		6	8		110
" East,	1835	J. Merrill,	Stated supply.	13	23	36											65
Lawrence, 1st ch.	April 19, 1847	H. M. Storrs,	Jan. 15, 1852	57	95	152	11	21	21	42	3	8		11	10	4	225
" Central ch.	Dec. 25, 1849	W. C. Foster,	Jan. 16, 1852	47	100	147	9	58	43	101	1	7		8	33	22	150
Lowell, 1st ch.	June 6, 1826	W. Child, D. D.	Oct. 1, 1845	111	623	734	508	21	8	29	4	24		28	10	2	300
" Appleton-st. c.	Dec. 2, 1831	George Darling,	Dec. 30, 1852	65	327	392	175	4	2	6		12		12	3		200
" John-st. ch.	May 9, 1839	E. B. Foster,	Feb. 3, 1853	96	382	478		17	13	30	7	22		29			476
" Kirk-st. ch.	May 21, 1845	A. Blanchard, D. D.	May 21, 1845	64	193	257	35	3	12	15		13		13			280
" High-st. ch.	Jan. 22, 1846	J. H. Towne,	Dec. 15, 1847	75	76	151		11	3	14	3	5		8		6	190
Methuen,	Oct. 29, 1729	J. C. Phillips,	Dec. 25, 1839	83	162	245		36	10	46	9	1		10	16	3	188
Tewksbury,	Nov. 29, 1734	J. Coggin,	Oct. 22, 1806														
		R. Tolman,	Aug. 25, 1852	58	86	144	14	1	1	2	2					1	90
Total, 17		18		957	3535	4392	891	213	127	340	41	121		160	87	63	3024

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852			Removed 1852.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Adams, North,	April 19, 1827	R. Crawford,	Aug. 20, 1840	58	150	208	63	2	1	3	1	5		6	2	4	284
" South,	Jan. 1, 1840	J. Jay Dana,	June 15, 1848	27	67	94	30	6	16	22	1	3		4	1	2	174
Becket, North,	Sept. 25, 1849	C. H. Norton,	April 30, 1851	41	51	92	4	19	3	22		1		1	6	1	
Dalton,	Feb. 16, 1785	O. M. Sears,	Sept. 29, 1847	28	52	80	8		2	2	2	7		9		2	62
Hinsdale,	Dec. 17, 1795	P. K. Clark,	June 16, 1852	67	118	185	16		1	1	5	7	1	13		5	163
Lanesboro',	March 28, 1764	C. Eddy,	Pastor elect.	22	32	54			1	1	1	1		2			50
Peru,	June, 1770	J. Knight,	July 6, 1836	67	100	167	8	3	1	4	3	1		4		1	190
Pittsfield, 1st,	Feb. 7, 1764	J. Todd, D. D.	Feb. 16, 1842	190	437	627		11	15	26		23		23	2	19	230
" (colored,)	Feb. 20, 1846	S. Harrison,	Aug. 13, 1850	7	7	14	4									1	50
" South,	Nov. 12, 1850	S. Harris,	March 12, 1851	63	110	173	15	5	10	15	5	5		10	2	9	175
Richmond,	1765	A. A. Whitmore,	Stated supply.	23	47	70	8				2			2		2	55
Washington,	1760	E. L. Clark,	Feb. 1853	10	20	30	3				3			3			40
Williamstown,	1765	A. Peters, D. D.	Nov. 10, 1841	100	190	290	16	2	2	4	6	9	4	19	3	4	180
" South,	1836	J. Bascom,	Stated supply.	16	28	44	10										30
" College,	June 15, 1834	M. Hopkins, D. D.	Sept. 15, 1836	43		43	14	9	7	16		8		8	3		
Windsor,	1772	C. Peabody,	Stated supply.	18	27	45	27	4	2	6		5		5	1		105
Canaan, 4 corn., N. Y.		J. Wickes,	Dec. 6, 1848	30	58	88	24	1		1	3	4		7		2	50
Total, 17		17		810	1494	2304	250	62	61	123	32	79	5	116	19	52	1835

Without Pastoral Charge.—Heman Humphrey, D. D., Pittsfield; Ebenezer Jennings, Dalton; Wellington H. Tyler, Principal of Young Ladies' Institute, Pittsfield; Dwight W. Marsh, Missionary, Mosul, Turkey; Marshall D. Sanders, Missionary, Ceylon; U. A Wilder, Missionary, S Africa; Russel S. Cook, Sec. Am. Tract Soc., New York; Ebenezer B. Andrews, Prof. Marietta College, Ohio; John Tatlock, Prof. Williams College; N. H. Griffin, Prof. Williams College; Joseph Alden, D. D., Prof. Lafayette College, Easton, Pa.

3. BERKSHIRE SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Alford,	Aug. 13, 1846	T. Woodbridge, D. D.	Stated supply.	9	19	28	3	3		3					2		30
Becket, 1st ch.	Feb. 22, 1759	Z. Whitmore,	Feb. 18, 1852	25	55	80	15	6		6	2	6		8	2		104
Egremont,	Nov. 22, 1816	E. Clark,	Jan. 7, 1851	23	53	76	8	4	1	5	2	3		5			45
Great Barrington,	Dec. 28, 1753	S. S. N. Greeley,	Feb. 4, 1852	62	154	216		5	9	14	7	4		11	1	4	225
Housatonic,	June, 1841	Vacant,		43	64	107	60	1	1	2	1	5		6	1	4	20
Lee,	May, 25, 1780	Vacant,		131	236	367	69	52	10	62	9	10		19	12	4	175
Lenox,	1769	H. Neill,	Aug. 26, 1846	76	143	219		3		3		3		3		2	125
Monterey,	Sept. 25, 1750	S. Howe,	July 24, 1844	34	60	94	6	2	2	4	3	2		5		2	100
New Marlboro', 1st ch.	Oct. 31, 1744	R. T. Searl,	Sept. 28, 1852	42	84	126	30		2	2	6	8		14		6	100
" Southfield	April 25, 1734	O. Lombard,	June 14, 1849	19	46	65	13				4	4		8			90
Otis,	Sept. 14, 1795	H. A. Austin,	Stated supply.	26	62	88	16		3	3	4	12	1	17			95
Sandisfield,	Feb. 24, 1756	A. Pickett,	Jan. 23, 1851	60	148	208		2	2	4	5	6		11	1		160
Sheffield,	Oct. 22, 1735	Vacant,		46	177	223					4	2		6			150
Stockbridge,	1734	A. H. Dashiell, Jr.	Dec. 11, 1850	68	152	220	24	2	4	6	5	3		8		7	130
" Curtisville,	Dec. 22, 1824	W. H. Phelps,	Nov. 6, 1849	19	43	62	16					1		1			100
W. Stockbridge, Cen.	June 4, 1789	S. Bryant,	Nov. 30, 1842	32	53	85	10	4	3	7	4	1	2	7	4		110
" Village,	1832	N. Lasell,	May 15, 1850	57	63	120		3	2	5	1	3		4	2		120
Austerlitz, N. Y.	March 21, 1792	S. Uley,	June 17, 1848	20	41	61		1	6	7	1	2		3			45
Total, 18		15		792	1653	2445	270	88	45	133	58	75	3	136	25	29	1924

Without Pastoral Charge.—John C. Brigham, D. D., Sec. Am. Bible Soc., New York; Josiah W. Turner, Gen. Agent Tract Soc., Maine; James Bradford. Sheffield; Thomas A. Hall, Principal of the Academy, Lee; Platt T. Holly, Teacher, Winstead, Con.; David D. Field, D. D., Bancroft Fowler and Noah Sheldon, Stockbridge; Rufus Pomeroy and Hugh Gibson, Otis; John Hotchkin, Lenox.

4. BREWSTER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.			Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Chatham,	June 15, 1710	N. S. Dickinson,	Dec 23, 1852	41	105	146	15		2	2	4	1		5		2	180
Dennis, South,	June 16, 1807	I. C. Thacher,	Dec. 21, 1852	40	82	122	6				3	1		4		1	240
Eastham,	1676	E. Chace,	Stated supply.	12	36	48	2	7		7					3	1	35
Harwich,	Nov. 12, 1744	M. H. Wilder,	Dec. 10, 1851	32	80	112	4		2	2	3	2		5		2	160
Orleans,	1719	J. White,	June 1, 1841	37	103	140	5	8		8	5	1		6			250
Provincetown,	1714	O. Myrick,	Feb. 18, 1846	8	30	38										1	65
Sandwich, Puritan cong. ch.	March 21, 1847	Giles Pease,	Jan. 23, 1850	12	27	39					3			3		2	40
Truro,	Nov. 1, 1711	E. W. Noble,	Dec. 26, 1849	33	70	103	4				3			3		3	130
" North,	May 22, 1842	S. J. M. Lord,	Stated supply.	7	15	22	2				1			1			60
Wellfleet,	1730	George Denham,	May 4, 1853	82	141	223	24				4	3		7		1	300
" South,	Dec. 4, 1833	E. Dow,	Stated supply	59	83	142	36	1		1	1	1		2			110
Yarmouth,	1639	A. K. Packard,	Dec. 16, 1851	32	94	126	20	13	8	21	1	2		3	5	5	120
" West,	Sept. 30, 1840	J. H. Wells,	March 5, 1851	7	43	50					2			2		1	50
Total, 13		13		402	909	1311	118	29	12	41	33	12		45	8	19	1740

Without Pastoral Charge.—Nathaniel Cogswell, Yarmouth; E. Pratt, Brewster.

5. BRIDGEWATER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Bridgewater,—																	
Trin. ch.	Oct. 17, 1821	D. Brigham,	April 23, 1845	35	61	96	12	1		1	1			1		1	120
" Scotland ch.	July 4, 1836	J. D. Farnsworth,	Stated supply.	7	25	32	5										51
E. Bridgewater,—																	
Trin. ch.	Nov. 14, 1849	B. Sanford,	April 3, 1850	16	21	37											85
Middleboro', 1st ch.	Dec. 26, 1694	I. W. Putnam, D. D.	Oct. 28, 1835	43	141	184	25		1	1	4	3		7			120
" West,	Oct. 6, 1725	C. Chapman,	Oct. 22, 1851	56	87	143					1	4	1	6			100
Total, 5		5		157	335	492	42	1	1	2	6	7	1	14		1	476

Without Pastoral Charge.—Otis Thompson, North Abington; Ebenezer Gay, and Stetson Raymond, Bridgewater; Enoch Sandford, Raynham.

6. BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Brimfield,	1725	Jason Morse,	Dec. 2, 1849	53	151	204	29	5	3	8	2	3		5		4	180
Brookfield,	April 15, 1756	J. K. Bragg,	Sept. 14, 1852	40	90	130	25	28	11	39	6	7		13	12	4	70
Charlton,	April, 1760	John Haven,	Stated supply.	20	66	86	17	2	5	7	4	1		5			925
Dana, Centre,	1852	John Keep,	Stated supply	7	14	21		5	16								70
Dudley,	1732	Joshua Bates, D. D.	March 22, 1843	41	86	127	16	1	4	5	1		1	1			100
Hardwick,	Nov. 17, 1736	Martyn Tupper,	June, 1852	27	64	91		2	2	4	1	12		13	1	2	125
Holland,	Sept. 13, 1765	Alvah C. Paige,	Dec. 3, 1851	14	33	47											75
New Braintree,	April 18, 1754	John Fiske, D. D.	Oct. 26, 1796	32	82	114	24		2	2	2	1		1		2	
North Brookfield,	May 28, 1752	{ Thomas Snell, D. D. / C. Cushing,	June 27, 1798 / Sept. 1851	102	199	301	12	85	16	101	4	1		5	35	7	400
Oakham,	Aug. 28, 1767	James Kimball,	Dec. 25, 1832	80	150	230	45	1	3	4	4	13	3	20		6	250
Southbridge,	Sept. 16, 1801	Eber Carpenter,	Dec. 1, 1835	55	149	204	36	25	4	39	2	2		4	14	5	200
Spencer,	May 17, 1744	Levi Packard,	June 19, 1826	29	79	108	7	5	4	2	5	4		9	3	4	175
Sturbridge,	Sept. 29, 1736	M. Beebee,	June, 1852	84	205	289	65		2	2	1	8		9		1	260
Ware,	May 9, 1751	David N. Coburn,	Sept. 21, 1842	44	90	134	25	5		5	1	1		2	3	5	130
" Village,	May 12, 1826	T. G. Colton,	Sept. 3, 1852	68	153	221	28	10	17	27	5	15		20	7	16	200
Warren,	1743	I. H. Northrup,	Jan. 1853	40	102	142	19	1	14	5	2	9	2	13	1	2	
West Brookfield,	Oct. 1717	G Byington,		75	147	222	42										250
Total, 17		18		811	1760	2571	384	175	93	258	41	78	5	110	76	58	2610

Without Pastoral Charge.—Moses Miller and W. A. Nichols, Brookfield.

7. ESSEX NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Amesbury, Mills,	Dec. 6, 1831	Vacant,		60	149	209	52	4	3	7	2	2		4	2	2	115
" West,	May 19, 1726	A. Paine,	Sept. 7, 1848	55	131	186	29	3	2	5						3	160
" and Salisbury,	Oct. 14, 1835	J. M. Bacon,	June 25, 1851	20	52	72	6	1	1	2	1	1		2	1	4	100
Boxford, West,	Dec. 9, 1732	C. E. Park,	Oct. 14, 1846	28	48	75	2	16		16					7	1	70
Bradford, 1st ch.	Dec. 27, 1652	N. Munroe,	Feb. 10, 1836	63	128	191	12	1	3	4	4	7	2	11	1	4	240
Georgetown,	Oct. 4, 1732	Isaac Braman,	June 7, 1797														
		J. M. Prince,	Feb. 3, 1847	54	104	158	10	3	3	6	4	5		9	2	1	250
Groveland,	Jan. 7, 1728	G. B. Perry, D. D.	Sept. 14, 1814														
Haverhill, Centre,	Aug. 28, 1833	B. F. Hosford,	May 21, 1845	61	111	172	25	8	9	17	4	3	4	11	5	5	160
" North,	Nov. 4, 1730	C. Tenney,	Stated supply.														
" East,	1743	Wales Lewis,	July 18, 1849	9	20	29	2	1							1	1	40
" West,	Oct. 1735	A. Farwell,	April 21, 1853	42	19	111	9		4	4	4	2		6		1	140
" Winter-st. ch	May 13, 1839	L. S. Parkes,	June 1853	33	39	72	12					2	3	5			136
Ipswich, 1st ch.	1634	D. T. Kimball,	Oct. 8, 1806														
		R. Southgate,	July 24, 1851														
" Linebrook,	Nov. 15, 1849	W. Holbrook,	Stated supply.	35	42	77	7	6	2	8	2		1	3	2	2	115
Newbury, 1st ch.	June 16, 1635	L. Withington, D. D.	Oct. 30, 1816														
" Byfield ch.	Nov. 17, 1706	F. V. Tenney,	March 7, 1850	46	65	111					2			2			140
Newburyp't, Belleville	April, 1808	D. T. Fiske,	Aug. 18, 1847	58	122	180	9	19	8	27	2	3		5	13		190
" North ch.	Jan. 1768	L. F. Dimmick, D. D.	Dec. 8, 1819	68	278	346			8	8	6	2		8			200
" Temple-st. ch	May 30, 1793	R. Campbell,															
" Whitefield ch.	Jan. 1, 1850	S. J. Spaulding,	June 30, 1851	31	91	122		2	12	14	3	2		5		5	180
Rowley,	Dec. 3, 1639	John Pike,	Nov. 18, 1840	40	109	149					6						100
Salisbury, Hill,	Nov. 19, 1718	B. Sawyer,	Stated supply														
W. Newbury, 1st ch.	Oct. 26, 1698	Vacant,															
" 2d ch.	Sept. 1, 1731	J. Q. A. Edgell,	Sept. 19, 1832	51	110	161	22	2		2	1	3	1	4		3	165
Total, 24		24		712	1579	2311	197	66	42	108	37	30	11	41	34	32	2481

8. ESSEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Beverly, Washington-street chh.	Feb. 8, 1837	A. B. Rich,	Dec. 8, 1852	32	96	128			2	2	3	1		4			115
Danvers, 2d ch.	Jan. 25, 1713	Vacant,		70	187	257		7	2	9	7	2		9	2	5	180
" 3d ch.	Dec. 5, 1844	James Fletcher,	June 20, 1849	23	58	81	6		3	3	2	2		4		1	215
Essex,	Aug. 31, 1681	R. Crowell, D. D.	Aug. 10, 1814	49	101	150	4	2	4	6	2	5		7		1	197
Gloucester, Harbor,	Nov. 17, 1829	Vacant,		23	106	129	15	3		3	1	5		6	2	10	120
" North,	Aug. 25, 1830	Edwin Seabury,	Stated supply.	14	28	42		4	1	5	1			1	3	4	75
" West,	March 23, 1829	Levi Wheaton,	Jan. 23, 1850	10	30	40	3	1		1	1			1	1	2	70
Hamilton,	Oct. 12, 1714	J. H. Mordough,	June 12, 1850	53	103	156	14	1	1	2	1		1	2	1	5	150
Ipswich, South,	Aug. 22, 1747	Daniel Fitz,	June 28, 1826	47	160	207		2		2	5			5		1	150
Lynnfield,		1715 U. W. Condit,	Oct. 23, 1850	8	31	39	2	2		2						1	75
Manchester,	Nov. 7, 1716	Rufus Taylor,	May 6, 1852	31	186	265		10	2	12	4	2		6	1	3	326
Middleton,	Oct. 22, 1729	J. A. Hood,	Jan. 2, 1850	56	125	181	30				2	2		4		6	100
Rockport,	Feb. 13, 1755	W. Gale,	March 4, 1836	128	200	328		3		3	3	5	1	9	1	10	300
Salem, Crombie-st.	May 3, 1832	J. M. Hoppin,	March 27, 1850	54	176	230		4	10	14	3	1		4	2	4	150
" Howard-st.	Dec. 29, 1803	E. W. Allen,	Sept. 30, 1852	23	74	97	27		3	3						3	175
" Third ch.	Feb. 15, 1775	{ B. Emerson, D. D. / J E Dwinell,	April 24, 1805 / Nov. 22, 1849	91	266	347		6	5	11	6	2		8	3	6	420
Total, 16		15		762	1927	2689	101	45	33	78	41	27	2	70	16	32	2818

Without Pastoral Charge.—David Tilton, North Chelsea; Alexander J. Sessions, Boston.

9. FRANKLIN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Ashfield,	Feb. 22, 1763	Wm. H. Gilbert,	Dec. 3, 1851	69	111	180	11	9	2	11	6	5		11	2	4	245
Bernardston,	Jan. 13, 1824	Charles Kendall,	Jan. 24, 1844	26	37	63	10	9		9	3			3	2		65
Buckland,	Oct. 1785	Asa B. Smith,	March 22, 1848	71	119	190	15	5	5	10	7	6		13		4	200
Charlemont, East,	Aug. 6, 1845	Aaron Foster,	Feb. 13, 1850	24	56	80	10	4	3	7	1	1		2	4	2	120
" West,	June 6, 1788	Vacant,		34	53	87	7		1	1	2	7		9		2	120
Colerain,	1750	Vacant,		12	30	42	3	1	3	4	1	2		3	1		50
Conway,	July 14, 1768	George M. Adams,	Sept. 18, 1851	113	229	342	30	16	19	35	10	24	1	35	6	6	300
Deerfield,	June 2, 1835	Alfred E. Ives,	Sept. 5, 1849	26	59	85	2	1	6	7	1	4		5	1	2	120
" South,	June 30, 1818	Moses K. Cross,	Sept. 4, 1850	28	58	86	7		8	8	1	3		4		3	100
" Monument ch	Jan. 25, 1848	David A. Strong,	March 21, 1849	27	50	77	3				1	1		2		2	100
Erving,	Sept. 19, 1832	Vacant,		7	14	21	8				1			1			30
Gill,	1793	{ Josiah W. Canning,	Sept. 25, 1839														
		{ Edward F. Brooks,	June 25, 1851	8	38	46	1	3	4	7		2	1	3	2	4	45
Greenfield, 1st,	March 28, 1754	A. Chandler, D. D.	Oct. 24, 1832	12	38	50	2	8	2	10					4	1	85
" 2d,	Jan. 15, 1817	George C. Partridge,	April 18, 1848	66	115	181	15	1	16	17	6	9	1	16		11	20
Hawley, East,	Sept. 6, 1793	Henry Seymour,	Oct 3, 1849	33	64	97	6	4	1	5	2	2		4	3	5	125
" West,	Aug. 24, 1825	John Eastman,	Nov. 11, 1847	22	37	59	6		2	2		6		6		3	80
Heath,	April 15, 1785	Alpheus Graves,	June 18, 1851	33	84	117			4	4	2			2		6	154
Montague,	1752	James H. Merrill,	Nov. 26, 1839	42	92	134	11	4	3	7	1	1		2	1	3	200
Northfield,	Nov. 30, 1825	Vacant,		21	40	61	15				1			1			60
Orange,	Sept. 23, 1846	David Peck,	Oct. 13, 1852	16	34	50	3				1			1			75
" North,	Aug. 16, 1843	Benjamin F. Clarke,	Stated supply.	8	20	28	8		2	2	2	2		4		1	30
Rowe,	April 10, 1833	Jeremiah Pomroy,	Stated supply.	10	18	28			2	2	1			1		1	35
Shelburne,	1770	{ T. Packard, D. D.	Feb. 20, 1799														
		{ T. Packard, Jr.	March 12, 1828	47	78	125	10		1	1	3	2		5			200
" Falls,	March 6, 1850	George F. Bronson,	Feb. 19, 1851	30	47	77		5	5	10		3		3			150
Shutesbury,	1740	James Tisdale,	Stated supply.	13	35	48	8	5	3	8					1		60
Sunderland,	1718	Sereno D. Clark,	May 31, 1853	92	138	230	3	4	5	9	1	19	1	21	3	6	250
Warwick,	June 10, 1829	Roger C. Hatch,	Dec. 23, 1835	12	44	56					1			1			56
Wendell,	Nov. 30, 1744	Vacant,		20	46	66	24				1	2		3			60
Total, 28		25		922	1784	2706	218	79	97	176	56	101	4	161	30	66	3235

Without Pastoral Charge.—Samuel Bradford, Montague; John Furguson, Whately; Horatio Flagg, Colerain; Lot B. Sullivan, Wendell; John D. Smith, West Charlemont; Samuel Ware, Shelburne; Lorenzo L. Longstroth, Greenfield.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Chicopee, 1st,	Sept. 1752	E. B. Clark,	Oct. 16, 1839	33	54	87	9	1	2	3	1			1	1	1	75
" 2d,	July 3, 1830	Wm. Wright,	Feb. 25, 1852	39	112	151		7	9	16		4	1	5	5		180
" 3d,	Oct. 16, 1834	G. A. Oviatt,	Oct. 15, 1850	75	150	225		18	12	30	2	9		11	6	2	250
Longmeadow,	Oct. 17, 1716	J. W. Harding,	Jan. 1, 1850	60	123	183	12	7	1	8	2	2		4	5	5	100
" East,	1831	Wm. E. Dixon,	Oct. 14, 1852	30	75	105	24	13	5	18	1			1	7		72
Ludlow, 1st ch.	1789	J. W. Tuck,	Sept. 6, 1843	63	95	158	20		1	1	4	1		5		4	200
" 2d ch.	June 6, 1847	E. B. Wright,	Stated supply.	5	9	14	4	1		1		2		2	1	1	50
Monson,	May, 22, 1762	{ A. Ely, D. D. { C. B. Kittredge,	Dec. 1806 Oct. 1846	121	212	333		2	5	7	7	6		13		3	200
Palmer, 1st ch.	1730	Sylvester Hine,	Nov. 19, 1851	30	71	101	11	4	4	8	2	2		4	2	5	100
" 2d ch.	April 1, 1847	W. W. Belden,	Stated supply.	28	59	87	7										100
South Hadley, 2d ch.	1833	P. H. Snow,	Feb. 1852	60	70	130	15	8	15	23	3	10		13	4	8	100
Springfield, 1st ch.	May 6, 1645	S. Osgood, D. D.	Jan. 5, 1809	137	275	412		10	11	21	4	3		7	6	4	260
" Hill,	1833	Vacant,		50	105	155	42										100
" North ch.	1846	R. H. Seely,	March, 1, 1849	47	87	134	12	10	10	20	2	2		4	4	5	168
" South ch.	March 23, 1842	S. G. Buckingham,	June 16, 1847	95	172	267	30	3	13	16	3	13		16		12	225
Wilbraham, North,	1741	John Bowers,	Dec. 13, 1837	75	127	202	60	1	4	5	4	8	1	13			110
" South,	1785	E. S. Skinner,	May 19, 1835	14	62	76											100
Total, 17		16		962	1853	2820	246	85	92	177	35	62	2	99	41	50	2360

Without Pastoral Charge.—Rev. F. A. Barton.

11. HAMPDEN WEST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Blandford,	1735	C. J. Hinsdale,	Jan. 20, 1836	40	80	120		5	4	9	4	1		5		5	130
Chester,	1765	David Breed,	Feb. 17, 1753	30	40	70						3		3			65
" Factories,	Nov. 13, 1844	J. C. Strong,	Stated supply.	11	20	31	5										25
" Village,	Aug. 26, 1846	T. Walker,	Stated supply.	21	36	57	10	5	2	7	1	2		3	1	2	70
Granville, East,	1747	T. M. Cooley, D. D.	Feb. 3, 1796	27	61	88	9				1	1		2			80
" West,	1786	F. Norwood,	Stated supply.	24	50	74			2	2		1				3	94
Holyoke, 1st,	Dec. 4, 1799	Simeon Miller,	May, 7, 1846	21	39	60	12				2	1		3		2	75
" 2d,	May 24, 1849	Richard Knight,	April 20, 1853	17	17	34	15	1	2	3		2		2			100
Montgomery,	June 30, 1797	J. C. Thompson,	Stated supply.	8	16	24											55
Southwick,	Aug. 16, 1773	Vacant,		22	76	98	18		2	2	2			2			75
Tolland,	1797	F. D. Austin,	June 28, 1853	32	67	99	22				1	1		2			50
Westfield,	Aug. 16, 1679	E. Davis, D. D.	June 1, 1836	125	290	415	35	11	10	21	9	10		19	5	10	300
West Springfield,	1698	H. M. Field.	Jan. 30, 1851	82	164	246		3	3	6	3			3	2	6	250
" Agawam,	Sept. 1, 1819	Ralph Perry,	Dec. 28, 1847	41	77	118		5	2	7		4	1	5			80
" Feeding Hills,	Nov. 10, 1762	Vacant,	Stated supply	27	58	85	12	8	1	9					6	3	70
" Mettineague,	Jan. 10, 1850	Henry Cooley,	Feb. 24, 1853	13	27	40	21	1	3	4		6		6		1	40
Total, 16		15		541	1118	1659	159	39	31	68	23	32	1	55	14	32	1480

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Chesterfield,	Oct. 30, 1764	Samuel W. Barnum,	Jan. 25, 1853	15	44	59	5				4	1		5			100
Cummington, 1st,	1771	James D. Chapman,	June 12, 1844	23	44	67	21	4		4	2	4			1		100
" Village,	1838	Theodore J. Clark,	Stated supply.	40	59	99	8	3		3					2	1	125
" West,	1840	Joseph B. Baldwin,	Sept. 1, 1841	32	55	87	19	13		13	4		2	6	5		60
East Hampton, 1st ch.	1787	{ Payson Williston, { A. M. Colton,	Aug. 13, 1789 / March 2, 1853	77	153	230		8	4	12	2	90		92	4	1	160
" Payson ch.	1852	Rollin S. Stone,	Dec. 29, 1852	35	65	100											140
Goshen,	1788	Vacant,		46	94	140											140
Hatfield,	1670	Jared O. Knapp,	Dec. 11, 1850	102	157	259	29		3	3	1	3		4		7	200
Middlefield,	1792	Henry Herrick,	Stated supply.	32	59	91			2	2	1	4		5			70
Northampton, 1st,	June 18, 1661	J. P. Cleaveland, D D.	April 20, 1853	190	377	567	10		10	10	7	20		27		4	345
" Edwards ch.	June 29, 1833	Gordon Hall,	June 2, 1852	83	152	235		2	4	6		5		5	1	3	250
Norwich,	1781	John R. Miller,	May 17, 1848	63	88	151		2	2	4	2			2		3	140
Plainfield,	Aug. 13, 1789	D B. Bradford,	June 10, 1852	50	94	144	16		1	1	4	10		14		1	225
Southampton,	June 8, 1743	Vacant,		165	180	345	7	1	10	11	8	3		11		6	214
West Hampton,	Sept. 1, 1779	Stephen C. Strong,	Stated supply.	65	98	163	14	3		3	2	1		3		7	225
Whately, 1st,	Aug. 21, 1771	C. N. Seymour,	March, 9, 1853	54	78	132					2			2		2	60
" 2d,	Nov. 10, 1842	Jonathan S. Judd,	Oct. 12, 1843	35	52	87	4		2	2	2	3		5			75
Williamsburg,	1773	Edward W. Root,	Oct. 23, 1850	96	156	252		3	1	4	4	2		6		2	275
" Haydenville,	March 1, 1851	Edward Sweet,	March 1, 1851	28	38	66		3	3	6	1	3		4	2	1	100
Worthington,	April 1, 1771	John H. Bisbee,	Dec. 19, 1838	83	133	216	16		4	4	12	2		14		6	300
Total, 20		19		1314	2276	3580	149	42	46	88	58	151	2	205	14	45	3534

Without Pastoral Charge.—C. Knight, Hatfield; W. A. Hawley, Plainfield; E. B. Wright, Ludlow; M. E. White, Northampton; R. Crossett, Goshen; E. Clapp, S. Lyman, and O. Warner, Easthampton; W. A. Hallock, D. D., Sec. Am. Tract Soc., New York; H. J. Gaylord, Norwich, Ct.; J. C. Thompson, Holyoke; and J. H. Temple, Framingham.

13. HAMPSHIRE EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Amherst, West,	Nov. 7, 1739	Vacant,		121	229	350											
" North,	Nov. 15, 1826	G. E. Fisher,	Sept. 16, 1852	50	90	140	6	5	4	9	1	2		3	2	5	150
" East,	Nov. 11, 1752	C. L. Woodworth,	Nov. 7, 1849	50	110	160	12	1		1	2			2		4	150
" South,	Oct. 14, 1824	J. L. Merrick,	Jan. 31, 1849	32	96	128	4	6	9	15	5	8	1	14	2	15	100
" College ch.	1826	E. Hitchcock, D. D.	April 15, 1845	438	25	462	409	4	8	12	1	3		4			
Belchertown,	1739	Vacant,		164	260	424	52	10	5	15	11	7	2	20	4	8	300
Enfield,	1790	R. McEwen,	Feb. 16, 1842	148	242	390	42	23	5	28	3			3	8	6	250
Granby,	1762	Vacant,		106	189	295	37										250
Greenwich,	1749	E. P. Blodget,	July 5, 1843	48	105	153		26	2	28	1	1		2			130
Hadley, 1st par.	1659	R. Ayres,	Jan. 12, 1848	70	96	166			4	4	1	6	2	9		6	225
" 2d par.	Oct 26, 1831	W. H. Beaman,	Sept. 15, 1841	33	78	111	8	4	1	5	4	4		8		2	120
" 3d par.	1841	J. Woodbridge, D. D.	Feb. 16, 1842	39	62	101			3	3							100
Leverett,	1784	David Eastman,	Feb. 12, 1840	36	64	100	12		1	1	4		1	5		2	100
Pelham,	1837		Stated supply	5	33	38			2	2	2			2	2	2	75
Prescott,	1823	E. Gilbert,	May, 1853	12	36	48	15										40
South Hadley, 1st par.	1733	E. Y Swift,	Nov. 3, 1852	77	154	231											150
Total, 16		12		1401	1721	3122	597	58	40	98	33	31	6	70	16	74	2145

Without Pastoral Charge.—J. W. Curtis, Hadley; G. H. Patrick, G. Sanford, and G. Nash, Amherst; Dana Goodsell, East Haven; L. B. Sullivan.

14. HARMONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Blackstone,	April 15, 1841	J. W. Backus,	Sept. 29, 1852	20	48	68	15	3		3							150
" Millville,	1836	Vacant,															
Douglass,	Nov. 11, 1747	David Holman,	Stated supply.	11	34	45	10		1	1	3			3		1	50
" East,	June 12, 1834	J. L. Maynard,	July 7, 1852	44	82	126		3	4	7	2	1		3	1	2	
Grafton,	Dec. 28, 1731	Thomas C. Biscoe,	July 8, 1838	102	188	290	45	1	5	6	5	5		10		5	300
Millbury, 1st ch.	Sept. 10, 1747	N. Beach,	Nov. 22, 1837	40	129	169	16	5	3	8	2	4	1	7		4	175
" 2d ch.	Aug. 23, 1827	Leverett Griggs,	Sept. 22, 1847	92	167	259	38	3	10	13	2	3		5	3	4	260
" Grass Hill,		Vacant,		15	40	55	17										70
Northbridge,	June 20, 1782	William Bates,	Nov. 5, 1845	35	70	105	14				4			4		4	
" Whitinsville,	July 31, 1834	Lewis F. Clark,	June 1, 1842	40	89	129	18	4	5	9	1	7		8	1	5	230
Sutton,	1720	George Lyman,	Nov. 12, 1851	59	135	194	30	1	6	7	1	2		3	1	3	150
Upton,	1735	William Warren,	Nov. 14, 1849	77	180	257	46	5	8	13	6	3		9	3	2	400
Uxbridge,	Jan. 17, 1731	J. J. Abbott,	April 3, 1850	35	120	155	20	3	2	5	2	11		13	1	7	235
Webster,	June 16, 1838	Vacant,		42	99	141	34										160
Total, 14		11		611	1377	1988	303	27	31	62	27	34	1	59	9	34	1950

Without Pastoral Charge.—M. Burdett, Woodstock, Ct.; Daniel Butler, Westboro'; Sidney Holman, West Millbury; L. Cary, Cincinnati, Ohio.

15. MENDON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Dover,	Oct. 23, 1839	J. Haskell,	Dec. 25, 1850	15	27	42	12		1	1			1	1		1	40
Foxboro',	Nov. 25, 1779	Vacant,		33	88	121	12	8	2	10	3	4	1	8	6	2	200
Franklin,	Feb. 16, 1738	Samuel Hunt,	Dec. 4, 1850	58	137	195		11	2	13	2	1		3	5	7	250
Holliston,	Nov. 20, 1728	J. T. Tucker,	June 6, 1849	69	185	254	10	18	7	25	7			7	3	9	300
Mansfield,	May 9, 1838	M. Blake,	Dec. 14, 1839	31	51	82	12		2	2	1	4		5			150
Medfield,	Feb. 7, 1828	T. T. Richmond,	Oct. 26, 1842	31	60	91		1	5	6	1	2		3			70
Medway, East,	1714	John O. Means,	Dec. 3, 1851	35	91	126		5	3	8	4	9		13	1	12	150
" West,	1750	Jacob Ide, D. D.	Nov. 2, 1814	61	122	183	32	8	2	10	5	6	1	12	3	8	175
" Village,	Sept. 7, 1838	David Sanford,	Oct. 3, 1838	47	129	176	27	3	12	15	3	2		5	3	6	175
Milford,	April 15, 1741	J. T. Woodbury,	July 15, 1852	40	87	127	5	1	30	31	1			1		7	250
Walpole,	Nov. 13, 1826	G. H. Newhall,	Sept. 18, 1850	38	131	169	23	3	3	6					1	4	200
Wrentham, 1st.	April 13, 1692	Vacant,		61	191	252	48	7	4	11	5	1		6	4	5	300
" North,	June 16, 1788	John Dwight,	June 23, 1853	9	25	34			3	3	2			2		1	50
Total, 13		11		529	1324	1853	181	65	76	141	34	29	3	66	26	62	2310

Without Pastoral Charge.—Charles Simmons, North Wrentham; A. H. Reed, Webster; D. J. Poor, Hopkinton; S. Harding, Boston; Thomas Williams, Providence, R. I.

16. MIDDLESEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Ashland,	Jan. 1835	Wm. M. Thayer,	June 20, 1849	49	86	135	31	4		4		5		5		3	230
Concord,	June 5, 1826	L. H. Angier,	Pastor elect.			100		5	7	12	2	3		5		1	85
Framingham,	Oct. 8, 1771	J. C. Bodwell,	June, 1852	60	155	215			2	2	5	2		7		6	160
Hopkinton,	Sept. 2, 1724	J. C. Webster,	Dec. 19, 1838	53	114	167	8	21	6	27	4	10	1	15	6	3	200
Lincoln,	Aug. 20, 1747	W. C. Jackson,	April 26, 1848	30	58	88	17	5		5	1	1		2		1	100
Marlboro',	1666	Vacant,		34	107	141	14		4	4	4	2		6		4	200
Natick,	Feb. 1802	Elias Nason,	May 5, 1852	45	112	157	21	8	16	24	1			1	1	16	275
Needham, West,	Sept. 1798	Vacant,		33	62	95											130
Saxonville,	May, 1, 1834	B. G. Northrup,	March 10, 1847	27	103	130	19	33	4	37	1	2		3	8	9	140
Sherburne,	March 26, 1685	Edmund Dowse,	Oct. 10, 1838	77	102	179		6	1	7	3	3	1	7	1	3	130
Southboro',	Feb. 17, 1731	D. M. Elwood,	Pastor elect.	63	102	165	25				3	3		6			275
Stow,	May 11, 1839	Vacant,		18	34	52											
Sudbury,	Aug. 1640	Charles V. Spear,	Oct. 27, 1852	63	102	165					1	2		3		1	125
" Assabet,	Sept. 29, 1852	Vacant,															
Wayland,	May 21, 1828	Henry Allen,	Sept. 30, 1852	37	66	103	7	1		1					1	4	
Total, 15		11		593	1212	1905	117	83	40	123	22	30	2	54	17	51	2050

Without Pastoral Charge.—I. N. Tarbox, Sec. Am. Ed. Soc., Boston.

17. MIDDLESEX UNION ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Acton,	March 13, 1832	Benjamin Dodge,	Oct. 10, 1852	91	221	312	52	3	1	4	3			3	1		150
Ashby,	June 12, 1776	C. W. Wood,	Oct. 30, 1839	60	110	170	25	5	6	11	1	1		2	1	1	160
Boxboro',		Vacant,															
Dunstable,	May 12, 1757	D. Adams,	Sept. 5, 1850	33	72	105	9	4	2	6	1			1	3	1	100
Fitchburg,	Jan. 27, 1768	G. B. Wilcox,	June 15, 1853	109	208	317	28	1	3	4	6	4		10		7	340
Groton,	July 13, 1664	E. A. Bulkley,	Sept. 18, 1850	130	53	183	17	2	7	9	4	4	8	16	2	12	165
Harvard,	Oct. 10, 1733	George Fisher,	Sept. 12, 1821	46	96	142	23	3	1	4	3			3		2	136
Lancaster,	May, 22, 1839	C. Packard,	Jan. 1, 1840	24	56	80	13		3	3	1	7		8		1	100
Leominster,	Dec. 25, 1822	J. S. Bingham,	Dec. 17, 1851	68	137	205	27	30	14	44	8	2		10	4	10	287
Littleton,	May 14, 1840	Vacant,		13	25	38	6	3		3	1				2		38
Lunenburg,	June 10, 1835	E. R. Hodgman,	Feb. 18, 1852	32	64	96	9		6	6		3		3		1	131
Pepperell,	June 29, 1747	L. Cutler,	Jan. 22, 1851	123	169	292	43	3	1	4	2	2		4	2	4	375
Shirley,	March 12, 1828	G. W. Adams,	Stated supply.	10	19	29	6	3	3	6		4	1	5	1	4	72
Townsend,	Oct. 16, 1734	L. H. Sheldon,	Aug. 4, 1844	93	189	282	39	21	7	28	6	6		12	10	6	285
Westford,	Dec 25, 1828	Thomas Wilson,	May 4, 1853	52	100	152	49	1	1	2							125
Total, 15		13		884	1519	2403	346	77	55	134	36	33	9	77	26	49	2464

Without Pastoral Charge.—Leonard Luce, Westford.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852			Removed 1852.				Baptisms	Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Abington, 1st,	1712	J. W. Ward,	May 21, 1834	49	80	129	9				2	2		4		3	
" 2d,	Aug. 1807	—— Goldsmith,	June, 1853	68	105	173	15				1			1			135
" 3d,	1813	H. D. Walker,	Feb. 15, 1844	37	90	127	8	2		2		2		2			200
" North,	Oct. 1839	Isaac C. White,	Oct. 23, 1850	38	67	105	2	3		3	1		3	4	2		150
Berkley, Tr. cong. ch.	Sept. 1848	L. R. Eastman,	Stated supply.	12	17	29					1			1			80
Braintree, 1st,	1707	R. S. Storrs, D. D.	July 3, 1811	50	124	174	5	5	3	8	3	3		6	1	1	100
" South,	Nov. 1829	Wm. B. Hammond,	April 18, 1849	27	55	82	9	1	4	5	3	2		5		5	160
" and Weymouth,	Aug. 1811	Jonas Perkins,	June 14, 1815	62	108	170	21		1	1	5	3	3	11			150
Canton,	July, 1828	S. Clark,	Nov 12, 1851														70
Cohasset, 2d ch.	Nov. 1824	F. A. Reed,	March 9, 1848	14	75	89	10	2		2		2		2	2		
Dedham, South,	June, 1736	M M Colburn,	1853	27	52	79		2			1			1	1		100
Dorchester, 2d ch.	Jan. 1828	James H. Means,	July 13, 1848	77	225	302	51	3	2	5	4	13		17		11	175
" Village,	March, 1829	D. T. Noyes,	Feb. 16, 1853	44	133	177	46	3	3	6	2	2		4			106
E. & W. Bridgewater,	June, 1826	P. B. Wilcox,	May 11, 1851	54	63	117	7	6	3	9	3		1	4	1		150
Easton,	1711	L. Sheldon, D. D.	Oct. 24, 1810	36	82	118	20										125
Hanover,	Dec. 1728	A. G. Duncan,	Aug. 29, 1833	16	47	63	7										125
Hanson,	Sept. 1749	S. L. Rockwood,	March 11, 1840	13	53	66	4				1			1			125
Hingham, Evang. ch.	Dec. 1847	E. Porter Dyer,	Jan. 4, 1849	7	14	21	3		1	1						2	40
Milton, 1st ch.	1678	Albert K. Teele,	Dec. 18, 1850	34	47	117	15	2	2	4					1	3	70
" Railway,	Nov. 1843	E. Leonard,	March 25, 1852	8	27	35		3				2		2	1		92
North Bridgewater,	1736	Paul Couch,	Oct. 7, 1835	54	84	138	8	3	2	5	1	3		4		3	
" Porter Ev. ch.	March, 1850	C. L. Mills,	Aug. 11, 1852	63	103	166	2	45	9	54	3	1		4	24	4	
" South ch.	Dec. 1836	Vacant,		33	51	84	6	3	1	4	1			1		4	100
Quincy,	Aug. 1832	Nelson Clark,	Jan. 2, 1850	27	76	103	26	2		2		3		3	1	7	155
Randolph,	May, 1731	C. M. Cordley,	March 3, 1852	46	85	131	12	2		2	2		2	2	2	2	130
" East,	1821	E. Russell,	May 8, 1850	46	83	129											210
Scituate, North,	Jan. 1634	Daniel Wight, Jr.	Sept. 28, 1842	29	52	81	6	3	2	5	1	1		1	2	2	140
Sharon,	May, 1741	L. R. Phillips,	Jan. 21, 1841	25	77	102	3	4	1	5	6					3	100
Stoughton, 1st ch.	Aug. 1844	Albert Perry,	Jan. 8, 1851	52	91	143	6	1	2	3							110
Weymouth, North, 1st	1635	Joshua Emery, Jr.	Jan. 25, 1838	69	150	202					3	57		6			
" South, 2d	1723	James P. Terry,	July 6, 1848	20	60	80		1	1	2	3	2		5		5	125
" Union ch.	1842	Willard M. Harding,	Nov. 17, 1847	22	54	76	3	3	2	5	1	1		2	2	1	176
" North, Pilgrim c.	1852	Calvin Terry,	May 18, 1852														
Total, 33		32		1106	2588	3694	258	95	33	73	63	97	9	86	39	56	3409

Without Pastoral Charge.—C. Hitchcock, D. D., Wrentham; David Dyer, Albany, N. Y.; Willard Pierce, Abington; D. Powers, and D. Huntington.

19. OLD COLONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Im.	
Dartmouth, South,	1807	Wm. A. Mandell,	Nov. 11, 1846	26	78	104	26	3		3	4	2		6	3	3	90
Fairhaven,	1794	Jacob Roberts,	July 17, 1839	63	134	197		9	23	32	5	3	1	9		1	248
Marion,	1686	Leander Cobb,	Dec 4, 1841	16	38	54					6	1		7			65
Middleboro', Central,	March 25, 1847	Vacant,		37	76	113					5	7		12			141
Nantucket,	1767	B. Judkins,	April 1, 1851	75	279	354		5	3	8	5	2	1	8	3	30	300
New Bedford, 1st ch.	1696	D. C. Burt,	July 1, 1835	17	43	60		2	3	5	3	1		4	2		75
" North,	Oct. 15, 1807	A. Eldridge,	Sept. 15, 1847	89	198	287		9	2	11	2	3		5	7	21	225
" Trinit.	Nov. 1830	Wheelock Craig,	Dec. 4, 1850	48	106	154	45	9		9	5	5		10		5	107
" Pacific,	Oct. 8, 1844	Timothy Stowe,	Stated supply.	16	34	50	5		1	1	2	3		5		4	172
Rochester, Centre,	1686	E. W. Harrington,	June 19, 1850	18	82	100	16				1	3		4			100
" Mattapoisett,	1740	Wm. L. Mather,	Jan. 29, 1851	52	94	146			6	6	2	1		3			100
" North,	1758	Isaac Briggs,	1836	8	17	25											
Wareham,	1739	Homer Barrows,	Oct. 27, 1852	24	69	93	10				2		6	8			
Total, 13		12		489	1258	1747	102	37	38	75	42	31	8	81	15	64	1623

Without Pastoral Charge.—William Gould, Fairhaven; Samuel Nott, Jr, Wareham; James A. Roberts, Middleboro'; Samuel Beane, Little Compton, R. I. Nathaniel Cobb, Chilmark.

20. PILGRIM ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Im.	
Carver,	1733	Stillman Pratt,	Aug. 21, 1851	31	58	89	4	9		9	3		1	4	3	1	75
Halifax,	Oct. 16, 1734	Edward P. Kimball,	Dec. 8, 1852	16	30	46	1									1	90
Kingston,	March 19, 1828	Joseph Peckham,	Nov. 30, 1842	23	59	82	7	1	6	7		2		2	1		70
Marshfield, North,	July 4, 1835	Sumner Clark,	Oct. 9, 1851	14	22	36	1				1	3		4			75
" South,	1632	Ebenezer Alden, Jr.	Oct. 30, 1850	21	40	61	2	1	1	2	1	3	4	8		1	80
Plymouth, Manomet,	Nov. 8, 1738	Daniel H. Babcock,	June 16, 1853	52	71	123	10										100
" Pilgrimage,	Oct. 1, 1801	Charles S. Porter,	May, 25, 1845	38	99	137	16	3		3	3	2		5		1	180
" Chiltonville,	June 18, 1815	Alexander Duncanson,	Stated supply.	35	59	94	10				2	3		5		3	45
Plympton,	Oct. 27, 1698	Charles Livingston,	Oct. 15, 1851	25	62	87	6				2	1		3			100
Total, 9		8		255	500	755	57	14	7	21	12	14	5	31	4	7	815

Without Pastoral Charge.—Timothy Davis, Kingston.

21. SALEM ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Beverly, Dane-st.	Nov. 9, 1802	Joseph Abbott,	Oct. 23, 1834														
" 4th ch.	Sept. 1, 1834	Vacant,		6	19	25		1		1	2			2	1	1	
Boxford, 1st ch.	1702	Wm. S. Coggin,	May 9, 1838	19	63	82		2		2	1			1	1		140
Danvers, 1st ch.	Nov. 16, 1689	M. P. Braman, D. D.	April 12, 1826	47	90	137		2	1	3	5			5	1	3	200
Lynn, 1st ch.	June, 1632	Parsons Cook, D. D.	May 4, 1836	59	155	214			8	8	7			7		5	
" Central,	Dec. 11, 1850	A. R. Baker,	Dec. 11, 1851	21	52	73	4	3	2	5	2	2		4		3	150
Marblehead,	Oct. 13, 1684	E. A. Lawrence,	April 23, 1845	72	261	333		2		2	6			6		2	250
Salem, Tabernacle ch.	April, 1735	S. M. Worcester, D.D	Dec. 3, 1834	78	328	406	18	3	5	8	4	6	4	14		5	450
Saugus,	1732	L. Brigham,	May 7, 1851	11	18	29		1	1	2	2			2		3	90
Swampscott,	July 15, 1846	J. B. Clark,		10	22	32			1	1			1	1			175
Topsfield,	1663	A. McLoud,	Dec. 8, 1841	49	101	150					1			1		1	175
Wenham,	Oct 8, 1644	J. Taylor,	Oct 27, 1847	45	82	127			1	1	1			1		3	200
Total, 12		11		417	1191	1608	22	14	19	33	31	8	5	44	3	26	1830

Without Pastoral Charge.—Allen Gannett and Joseph Tracy, Beverly.

22. SUFFOLK NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Boston, Old South ch.	May, 1669	G. W. Blagden, D. D.	Sept. 28, 1836	82				9	10	19	4	1		5	2	6	200
" Bowdoin-st.	July 18, 1825	J. B. Waterbury, D.D.	Sept. 1846	133	310	443		23	12	35	4	14		18	13		250
" Central ch.	Dec. 1841	George Richards,	Oct. 8, 1845	144	312	456		7	9	16		22					460
Cambridge, 1st ch.	Feb. 1, 1636	J. A. Albro, D. D.	April 15, 1835	73	183	256		6	4	10	2	1		3	4	3	231
Cambridgeport, 1st ch.	Sept. 20, 1827	W. A. Stearns, D. D.	Dec. 14, 1831	88	200	288		7	19	26	4	1		5		11	250
Cambridge East,	Sept. 8, 1842	Joseph L. Bennett,	July 1, 1852	40	75	115		42	6	48	2			2	12	5	115
Charlestown, 1st ch.	Nov. 2, 1632	W. I. Budington,	April 22, 1840	62	209	271		24	8	32	4	7		11	3	11	320
" Winthrop ch.	Jan. 9, 1833	Benjamin Tappan, Jr.	Oct. 4, 1848	110	232	342		16	17	33	7	25		2	6	8	550
Chelsea, Winnisimmet	Sept. 20, 1841	I. P. Langworthy,	Nov. 10, 1841	69	144	213	45	20	10	30	5	20		25	9	9	300
" Broadway ch.	April 2, 1851	J. A. Copp,	Jan. 7, 1852	54	86	140	2	10	11	21		3		3	9	11	400
Malden, 1st ch.	March, 1649	A. C. Adams,	July 29, 1852	21	67	88	17	3	4	7	1	6		7	2		150
" Winthrop ch.	March 16, 1848	F. G. Pratt,	Oct. 18, 1849	16	40	56			4	4	1			1		5	138
Medford, Mystic ch.	July 6, 1847	A. B. Warner,	Oct. 27, 1847	33	86	119	9	6	15	21		6		6			140
Needham, Grantville,	Feb. 24, 1847	W. Barrows,	Aug. 22, 1850	23	33	56	4	4	1	5	1	4		5		1	70
Newton, 1st ch.	July 20, 1664	D. L. Furber,	Dec. 1, 1847	34	74	108	17		4	4	2	2	2	5		4	100
" 2d ch.	Oct. 2, 1781	L. Gilbert, D. D.	July 2, 1828	41	72	113	28	9	3	12					4	1	90
" Eliot ch.	July 1, 1845	W. S. Leavitt,	Dec. 3, 1845	37	74	111	10	2	15	17	2	3		5	2	2	160
" Auburndale ch.	Nov. 14, 1850	Vacant,															
North Chelsea,	May 24, 1828	Vacant,		6	10	16	2									2	50
Waltham, Tr. cong. ch.	Sept. 28, 1820	John Whitney,	Nov. 8, 1837														
Total, 20		19		1066	2207	3273	134	188	152	340	39	95	1	136	66	79	3974

Without Pastoral Charge.—E. A. Park, D. D., Andover; R. Anderson, D. D., G. C. Beckwith, D. D., S. Bliss, A. Bullard, D. Clark, W. M. Cornell, W. Jenks, D. D., S. L. Pomeroy, D. D., H. Winslow, Boston; W. Bushnell, Newton; J. Curtis, Charlestown.

23. SUFFOLK SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Boston, Park-st. ch.	Feb. 27, 1809	A. L. Stone,	Jan. 25, 1849	183	420	603	100	36	41	77	2	5		7	15	12	300
" Essex-st.	Aug. 26, 1822	N. Adams, D. D.	March 26, 1834	135	334	469		13	23	36	8	15		23	1	6	290
" Salem-st.	Sept. 2, 1827	E. Beecher, D. D.	March 13, 1844	164	344	508		27	8	35	5	13		18			510
" Pine-st.	Sept. 2, 1827	H. M. Dexter,	April 18, 1849	78	169	247	12	18	37	55	2	35	1	38	5	5	325
" Mariners' ch.	Jan. 20, 1830	G. W. Bourne,	Feb. 15, 1849	15	42	57	25	2	2	4		4		4		2	125
" Mt. Vernon,	June 1, 1842	E. N. Kirk,	June 1, 1842	199	404	603		45	27	72	4	24		28	15	24	387
" Shawmut,	Nov. 20, 1845	Vacant,		56	102	158		1	9	10	1	22	1	24		2	275
" Edwards ch.	Feb. 5, 1849	Vacant,		30	80	110	15	9	7	16		2		2	3	2	400
" Phillips ch.	Dec 10, 1823	Vacant,		82	169	251		6	13	19	4	14		18	4	10	200
" Maverick,	May 31, 1836	R. W. Clark,	Dec. 3, 1851	79	186	265	25	68	53	121	2	5	3	10	19	42	450
Brighton,	Sept. 13, 1827	A. Swazey,	Oct 6, 1847	39	93	132		5	2	7	3	6		9			120
Brookline,	Aug. 26, 1844	M. M. Smith,	June 5, 1851	33	54	87		3	13	16		5		5	1	8	93
Roxbury, Eliot ch.	Sept. 18, 1834	A. C. Thompson,	July 22, 1842	100	184	284		8	17	25	3	9		12		12	250
" West,	June 11, 1835	T. Laurie,	May, 7, 1851	21	46	67	5	1	3	4		1		1			90
Total, 14		14		1214	2627	3841	185	242	255	491	34	160	5	269	63	125	3950

Without Pastoral Charge.—Louis Dwight, Sec. Pris. Dis. Soc.; Selah B. Treat, Sec. A. B. C. F. M.; J. S. Clark, D. D., Sec. Mass. Home Miss. Soc.; S. H. Riddell, Editor, J. E. Woodbridge, Editor, and Lyman Beecher, D. D., Boston; C. Marsh, West Roxbury; Austin Phelps, Prof. Theol. Sem. Andover; G. H. Hastings, Missionary, Rome, Italy.

24. TAUNTON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Attleboro', 2d ch.	Nov. 30,	1748 Jonathan Crane,	Oct. 20, 1836	57	184	241	30	1		1	4	1		5		1	300
" West,	Nov. 12,	1737 S. B. Morley,	July, 1851	28	58	86	7				1	1		2			80
Berkley, 1st ch.	Nov. 2,	1737 Vacant,		47	89	136	40				1	2		3			120
Dighton,		1710 E. Newton, Jr.	Stated supply.	17	34	51	9										30
Fall River, Central ch.	Nov. 16,	1842 Eli Thurston,	March 21, 1849	67	121	188	20	1		1	5	3	1	9		4	228
Freetown,		1809 Vacant,		9	22	31	6								2	1	160
Middleboro', North,	Feb. 4,	1748 T E. Bliss,	June 2, 1852	34	80	114	25	2	5	7							
Norton,	April 3,	1832 Franklin Holmes,	Sept. 15, 1852	48	89	137	34	3	7	10	2	2		4	1		106
Pawtucket,	April 17,	1829 C. Blodgett,	July 27, 1836	59	186	245	65	5	8	13	3	5		8	3	6	300
Raynham,	Oct. 19,	1731 Robert Carver,	Dec. 1, 1847	41	93	134	49	1		1	3			3	1		175
Rehoboth,	Nov. 29,	1721 C. P. Grosvenor,	Stated supply.	18	71	89	15		1	1						4	136
Seekonk,		1644 James O. Barney,	Feb. 4, 1824	26	56	82	16	1		1							103
Taunton, East,	June 16,	1653 N. Richardson,	Stated supply.	5	8	13											80
" Trin. cong. ch.	Aug. 17,	1821 E. Maltby,	Jan. 18, 1826	104	260	364	54	3	13	16	2			2		5	330
" West, 1st ch.		1637 Alvan Cobb,	April 19, 1815	30	70	100	21	1	3	4						3	100
" Winslow ch.	Jan. 12,	1837 S. H. Emery,	Nov. 23, 1837	56	102	158	32	11	10	21	1	5		6	2	5	170
Total, 16		14		646	1523	2169	423	29	47	76	22	19	1	42	9	29	2418

25. VINEYARD SOUND ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Barnstable, West,	1634	H. Carlton,	Stated supply.	22	39	61					2			2			75
" Centreville,	1825	E. Bacon,	May 23, 1840	29	54	83	7					2		2		2	70
Chilmark,	1715	N. Cobb,	Stated supply.	2	19	21					1		4	5		4	60
Falmouth, 1st ch.	Oct. 1708	H. B. Hooker,	Feb. 1837	66	170	236		27	4	31	1				11	6	250
" East,	June 20, 1821	A. C. Childs,	Stated supply.	16	28	44		1	1		2			2			40
" North,	1833	Cyrus Mann,	Stated supply.	41	57	98	11	13		13					11	1	55
" East, 2d,	Jan. 3, 1849	S. F. Beard,	Stated supply.	9	40	49		13	13	26					8	13	60
Cotuit & Herring Pond	1670	P. Fish,	Sept. 1811	4	21	25					1	1				2	25
Sandwich,	1638	E. Wells,	July 1847	35	70	105			3	3	2	1		3			120
" Monument,	1833	Vacant,		12	32	44											
Tisbury, Holmes Hole	1844	W. H. Sturtevant,	Stated supply.	4	16	20	3									1	53
" West,	1673	S Cole,	Stated supply	17	37	54						2		2		1	50
Total, 12		11		257	583	840	21	54	21	73	9	6	4	16	30	30	928

Without Pastoral Charge.—A. Cobb, Sandwich.

26. WOBURN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Bedford,	July 15, 1730	Vacant,		50	122	172	29	4	1	5	1	3		4	1	3	115
Billerica,	April 30, 1821	J. G. D. Stearns,	May 10, 1843	12	46	58	13	4	2	6	2			2	4	8	75
Burlington,	Oct. 29, 1735	E. Moody,	Stated supply.	18	32	50	11				3						72
Carlisle,	Feb. 28, 1751	J. Lawrence,	May 5, 1853	13	40	53	6	2	4	6	1	5		6	1		90
Medford, 2d ch.	Oct. 2, 1823	E. P. Marvin,	Feb. 25, 1852	47	98	145	25	13	3	16	3	2		5	6	1	130
Reading, North,	June 29, 1720	Vacant,		21	43	64	7	2	1	3	3	5		8			
" Old South,	Feb. 21, 1771	L. Whiting,	Jan. 1, 1851	46	81	127	8	1	3	4	2			2		3	140
" Bethesda ch.	April 17, 1849	Vacant,		54	94	148	10	5	1	6	3			3	1	11	200
South Reading,	Nov. 5, 1645	Reuben Emerson,	Oct. 17, 1804	43	86	129		4	5	9	5			5	2	4	175
Stoneham,	July 2, 1729	W. C. Whitcomb,	May 1, 1850	40	88	128	22	7	5	12	3	2		5	4	9	200
West Cambridge,	Dec. 14, 1842	Francis Horton,	May 17, 1848	30	66	96	12	1	6	7	2	5		7		5	110
Wilmington,	Oct. 24, 1733	J. E. Swallow,	March 26, 1851	31	80	111	16	28	1	29	1	2		3	15	4	100
Winchester,	Nov. 19, 1840	R. I. Robinson,	Oct. 27, 1852	74	123	197			1	1	3	1		4			245
Woburn, 1st ch.	Aug. 14, 1642	Jonathan Edwards,	Sept. 7, 1848	149	296	445	60	4	18	22	5	13		18	2	17	250
" North,	Nov. 22, 1849	G. T. Dole,	Oct. 12, 1852	14	35	49	4		1	1							90
Total, 15		11		642	1330	1972	223	85	52	137	37	38		72	36	65	1972

Without Pastoral Charge.—Samuel Sewall and H. G. Park, Burlington; Preserved Smith, Carlisle; George Gannett, West Cambridge;

27. WORCESTER CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms	Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	Dth	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Auburn,	Jan. 25, 1776	Charles Chamberlain,	July 9, 1851	49	101	150	11		1	1		3		3	1	150
Barre,	Aug. 15, 1827	C. M. Nichols,	May 7, 1851	71	125	196		9	7	16	7	9		16	5	3	160
Berlin,	April 7, 1779	Vacant,		42	79	121	20					2		2		4	140
Boylston,	Oct. 6, 1743	Wm. H. Sanford,	Oct. 17, 1832	48	84	132	18	1		1	3	4		7	1	2	150
Clinton,	Nov. 14, 1844	Wm. D. Hitchcock,	Oct. 22, 1851	52	129	181	13	15	17	32	3	5	1	9	7	2	296
Holden,	Dec. 22, 1742	Wm. P. Paine,	Oct. 24, 1833	108	233	341	50	2	5	7	2	13		15	1	1	200
Leicester,	March, 1721	{ John Nelson, D. D.	March 4, 1812														
		{ A. C. Denison,	March 4, 1851	81	141	222	10	6	7	13	3	4		7	2	2	246
Northboro',	April 12, 1832	S. S. Ashley,	June 16, 1852	20	69	89	25	8		3	2	5		7		1	150
Oxford,	Jan. 18, 1721	Horatio Bardwell,	June 8, 1836	70	152	222	36				4	6		10		2	150
Paxton,	Sept. 3, 1767	Wm. Phipps,	Nov. 11, 1840	32	76	108	6	1	2	3	3	5		8		2	170
Princeton,	Oct. 12, 1764	H. Wickes,	June 16, 1852	50	76	126	19		2	2	1	3		4			100
Rutland,	Nov. 1, 1727	Vacant,		60	125	185	36				9	13	1	23			250
Shrewsbury,	Dec. 4, 1723	N. W. Williams,	Feb. 28, 1849	96	163	259	40		1	1	4	8		12		1	250
Sterling,	June 22, 1852	W. B. Greene,	Stated supply.	13	24	37		2	35	37					1	2	50
Westboro',	Oct. 28, 1724	Daniel R. Cady,	Dec 4, 1849	130	259	389	36	8	6	14	10	5		15	1	6	385
West Boylston,	Sept. 15, 1796	Joseph W. Cross,	March 11, 1840	75	172	247	30	6	4	10	4	*24	2	30	3	14	250
Worcester, 1st par.		Horace James,	Feb. 3, 1853	128	235	363	40	6	13	19	7	12		19		6	460
" Calvinist,	Aug. 16, 1820	Seth Sweetser, D. D.	Dec. 19, 1838	104	228	332	45	11	10	21	2	16		18	4	2	250
" Union,	Feb. 3, 1836	Elam Smalley, D. D.	Sept. 19, 1838	162	272	434	45	11	14	25	6	10		16	10	5	420
" Salem-st.	June 15, 1848	George Bushnell,	Dec. 13, 1848	79	115	194		4	19	23	3	5		8	1		200
Total, 20		19		1470	2858	4328	480	90	143	233	73	152	4	229	36	56	4427

Without Pastoral Charge.—Rodney A. Miller, Worcester; Henry B. Holmes, Agent of Am. Tract Society, Andover; Isaac R. Worcester, Dist. Sec. A. B. C. F. M., Boston; M. G. Pratt, Agent Am. Col. Soc., Andover; A. Houghton, Berlin; Preston Cummings, Leicester.

* To join in the organization of the church in Sterling.

28. WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admitted 1852.			Removed 1852.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Ashburnham,	April, 1760	F. A. Fiske,	Dec. 30, 1831	51	96	147	15	1	1	2	7	8		15		2	130
" North,	Feb. 21, 1845	J. D. Wesly,	Stated supply.	25	33	58					1						90
∞ Athol,	Sept. 17, 1750	J. F. Norton,	March 17, 1852	51	93	144	22	2	16	18	4	1		5	1	1	150
Gardner, 1st,	Sept. 1786	J. C. Paine,	Jan. 12, 1848	26	36	62		1	14	15	1			1	1		125
" 2d,	1826	A. Stowell,	Stated supply.	55	85	140	29	1	5	6	2	5		7	1		200
Hubbardston,	Feb. 14, 1770	C. W. Allen,	Dec. 29, 1852	43	107	150	30										100
New Salem,	Aug. 1845	W. H. Hayward,	Aug. 23, 1848	6	18	24	3		2	2		2		2		5	50
Petersham,	Dec. 1830	A. B. Foster,	May 12, 1853	33	79	112	5	8	7	15	3	2		5	2	1	140
Phillipston,	Nov. 16, 1785	A. E. P. Perkins,	Sept. 18, 1844	60	125	185	35	1	4	5	2	9	3	12	1	12	
Royalston, 1st ch.	Oct. 13, 1766	E. W. Bullard,	Sept. 2, 1852	34	75	109					3	4		7		3	175
" South,	Feb. 22, 1837	George Goodyear,	Dec. 19, 1849	25	45	70	13	1	2	3	2	3		3			110
Templeton,	April 11, 1832	Lewis Sabin,	Sept. 21, 1837	37	91	128	13	5	2	7		4		4	1	4	160
Westminster,	Oct 20, 1744	O. H. White,	Aug. 21, 1851	95	215	310	27	24	7	31	6	2		8	5	3	175
Winchendon, 1st ch.	Dec. 15, 1762	John Storrs,	Aug. 22, 1849	32	74	106	21	3	1	4	4		1	5	2	1	60
" North,	Dec. 7, 1843	A. P. Marvin,	Jan. 10, 1844	38	93	131	15		6	6	1			1			150
Total, 15		15		611	1265	1876	228	47	67	114	36	40	4	75	14	32	1815

Without Pastoral Charge.—Ebenezer Perkins, Royalston; S. S. Smith, Agent Amer. and For. Chris. Union, Northampton.

SUMMARY.

Associations.	Chs.	Pastors.	Stated supplies.	Vacant chhs.	Ministers without charge.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1853.				Admissions in 1852.			Removals in 1852.				Baptisms.		Sab. Sch.
						Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Total.	Death.	Dis.	Ex.	Total.	Adults	Infants	
Andover,	17	16	2			957	3535	4492	891	213	127	340	41	121		162	87	63	3024
Berkshire North,	17	14	3		12	810	1494	2304	250	62	61	123	32	79	5	116	19	52	1835
Berkshire South,	18	13	2	3	11	792	1653	2445	270	88	45	133	58	75	3	136	25	29	1924
Brewster,	13	10	3		2	402	909	1311	118	29	12	41	33	12		45	8	19	1740
Bridgewater,	5	4	1		4	157	335	492	42	1	1	2	6	7	1	14		1	516
Brookfield,	17	15	2		2	811	1760	2571	384	175	93	268	41	78	5	124	76	58	2610
Essex North,	24	20	3	2		712	1579	2291	197	66	42	108	37	30	11	78	34	32	2481
Essex South,	16	14	1	2	2	762	1927	2689	101	45	33	78	41	27	2	70	16	32	2818
Franklin,	28	22	3	5	7	922	1784	2606	218	79	97	176	56	101	4	161	30	66	3235
Hampden East,	17	15	2	1	1	962	1858	2820	246	85	92	179	35	62	2	99	41	50	2360
Hampden West,	16	10	5	2		511	1118	1659	159	39	31	70	23	32	1	56	14	32	1480
Hampshire,	20	16	3	2	12	1314	2276	3580	149	42	46	88	58	151	2	211	14	45	3534
Hampshire East,	16	12	1	3	6	1401	1721	3122	597	58	40	98	33	31	6	70	16	74	2145
Harmony,	14	10	1	3	4	611	1377	1988	303	20	44	62	27	34	1	62	9	34	1950
Mendon,	13	11		2	5	529	1324	1853	181	65	76	141	34	29	3	66	26	62	2310
Middlesex South,	15	11		4	1	593	1212	1805	117	83	40	123	22	30	2	54	17	51	2050
Middlesex Union,	15	12	1	2	1	884	1519	2103	346	79	55	134	36	33	9	78	26	49	2464
Norfolk,	33	31	1	1	5	1106	2588	3694	258	99	39	138	63	97	9	169	39	56	3409
Old Colony,	13	11	1	1	5	489	1258	1747	102	37	38	75	42	31	8	81	15	61	1623
Pilgrim,	9	8	1		1	255	500	755	57	14	7	21	12	14	5	31	4	7	815
Salem,	12	10	1	1	2	417	1191	1608	22	14	19	33	31	8	5	44	3	26	1830
Suffolk North,	20	18		2	12	1066	2207	3273	134	188	152	340	39	95	1	135	66	79	3974
Suffolk South,	14	11		3	9	1214	2637	3811	185	242	255	497	34	160	5	199	63	125	3950
Taunton,	16	11	3	2		646	1523	2169	423	29	47	76	22	19	1	42	9	29	2418
Vineyard Sound,	12	4	7	1	1	257	583	840	21	52	21	73	9	6	4	19	30	30	928
Woburn,	15	11	1	3	4	642	1330	1972	223	85	52	137	37	38		75	36	65	1972
Worcester Central,	22	19	1	2	6	1470	2858	4328	480	90	143	233	73	152	4	229	36	56	4427
Worcester North,	15	15	2		2	611	1265	1876	228	47	67	114	36	40	4	70	14	32	1815
Total, 28	462	374	51	47	117	21,323	45,311	66,644	6,702	2,114	1,775	3,889	1,111	1,592	103	2,706	774	1,318	65,637

N. B. A few errors that escaped detection while the tables were going through the press, have been corrected in this general summary.

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Hampden East,	E. B. Clark, *Chickopee.*
Hampden West,	E. Davis. D. D., *Westfield.*
Hampshire,	J. S. Judd, *Whately.*
Hampshire East,	Rowland Ayers, *Hadley.*
Harmony,	Thomas C. Biscoe, *Grafton.*
Mendon,	Thomas T. Richmond, *Medfield.*
Middlesex South,	W. M. Thayer, *Ashland.*
Middlesex Union,	Lyman Cutler, *Pepperell.*
Norfolk,	Samuel L. Rockwood, *Hanson.*
Old Colony,	William A. Mandell, *South Dartmouth.*
Pilgrim,	Ebenezer Alden, Jr., *Marshfield.*
Salem,	Allen Gannett, *Beverly.*
Suffolk North,	F. G. Pratt, *Melrose.*
Suffolk South,	A. L. Stone, *Boston.*
Taunton,	Franklin Holmes, *Norton.*
Vineyard Sound,	A. Cobb, *Sandwich.*
Woburn,	R. T. Robinson, *Winchester.*
Worcester Central,	D. R. Cady, *Westboro'.*
Worcester North,	John C. Paine, Gardner.

RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

1. The Association, by which the General Association of Massachusetts was originally organized, agreed to admit, and this Association continue to admit, as articles of faith, the doctrines of Christianity, as they are generally expressed in the Assembly's Shorter Catechism; and the above-mentioned doctrines, understood by us to be distinctly those, which from the beginning, have been embraced by the churches of New England as the doctrines of the Gospel, are considered as the basis of our union.

2. This General Association is founded on the principles of Congregationalism, and wholly disclaims ecclesiastical jurisdiction over the churches, or the opinions of individuals. Its object is to promote brotherly harmony and intercourse among the ministers of Christ;—to obtain religious information relative to the state of their churches, and of the christian church in this country, and throughout the world;—and to co-operate with one another, and with other ecclesiastical bodies, in the most eligible measures for advancing the cause of truth and holiness.

3. Each District Association in Massachusetts, consenting to the principles of this Union, as stated in the first article, may appoint two delegates annually, to compose this General Association: and it is recommended, that one be appointed, who attended the preceding year.

4. The time of the annual meeting of this Association, shall be on the fourth Tuesday of June, at five o'clock, P. M., at such place, as shall have been duly notified.

5. Seven members, delegated from the particular Associations of Massachusetts, shall be requisite to form a quorum for transacting any business; but for opening and adjourning the meeting, a less number shall be competent.

6. The secretary, and the minister of the church where the Association meet, shall have seats, and act as members; the Associations to which they belong retaining the right to elect their number of Delegates in addition.

7. The minister of the church in the place where the Association meets, or the secretary, may call the Association to order, and preside in the meeting until the Association shall be properly organized.

8. The certificates of the delegates present shall be read by the Secretary, or by a temporary Scribe; and the Association shall then be organized by the choice of a Moderator, a Scribe, and, if necessary, an assistant Scribe, by ballot. The Rules of the Association shall also be read, and the Moderator shall open the business with prayer.

9. At the opening of the session on each subsequent day, the Moderator shall take the chair at the hour to which the Association stands adjourned; shall immediately call the members to order; direct the roll to be called; shall open the meeting with prayer, and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read; and the session of each day shall be closed with prayer.

10. At each meeting of the Association, a Committee of Arrangements, consisting of three, shall be appointed by nomination, to prepare the business of the session; and no business shall be introduced during the session, but through the hands, and with the approbation of the Committee. But if said Committee decline presenting any item of business proposed by any member, he shall have the privilege of appeal to the Association.

11. Every motion, on being seconded, shall, if requested by the Moderator, or any two members, be reduced to writing, and no motion shall be open to discussion, until it be seconded.

12. The Moderator may speak to points of order, in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house by any two members. But he may not speak to the merits of the question without leaving the chair, and placing some other member in it, to preside while he speaks.

13. On questions of order, adjournment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question, no member shall speak more than once. Nor on any question shall a member speak more than twice, without leave of the Association.

14. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question; viz. Shall the main question be now put? The effect of adopting the previous question shall be to put an end to debate, and to bring the Association to a direct vote upon amendments reported by a Committee, if any, upon pending amendments, and then upon the main question.

15. If a question under debate contain several parts, any member may have it divided, and a question taken on each part.

16. Every member, when speaking, shall address himself to the chair; and shall be subject to no needless interruption; if he act disorderly, it shall be the duty of the Moderator, and the privilege of other members to call him to order.

17. The discussions in the Association, and the whole deportment of the members, shall be in accordance with decorum, with due respect to the chair, and with courtesy to each other.

18. No member shall leave the Association before the session is closed, except with the consent of the body; nor shall any one leave the house during a sitting, without the consent of the Moderator.

19. Each annual meeting shall be closed with a psalm or hymn, and prayer by the Moderator, or such other member as he shall appoint.

20. Our principles of fraternal intercourse with all ecclesiastical bodies in correspondence with us are, that this Association, and each

body connected with it, shall annually appoint Delegates to the other, which shall be admitted to the privilege of sitting, and deliberating upon all matters which may come under consideration.

21. The principle of the connection formed with the Massachusetts Missionary Society is, that said Society may annually appoint two delegates to this body, who shall be admitted to equal privileges with the members from the District Associations.

22. Gentlemen, who are admitted as honorary members, shall be allowed full liberty to take part in all deliberations; though they are not considered as entitled to vote; and it is expected they will give notice to the body, if they find it necessary to withdraw previous to the close of the session. The approbation of the Committee of Arrangements shall be obtained, before a gentleman shall be proposed to sit as an honorary member.

23. The Delegates, who the preceding year attended the meetings of foreign bodies, shall, *ex officio*, have seats as honorary members of the General Association.

24. A Committee of three shall be annually appointed, to submit to the General Association at the next meeting, a *Pastoral Address*, to excite the attention of ministers and Christians to faithful discipline in the churches, the instruction of the rising generation, the sanctification of the Sabbath, and other subjects relating to the general interests of religion. The address being approved by the General Association, shall be signed by the Moderator, and printed with the minutes. This Committee shall be chosen from the several Associations in rotation.

25. The several Associations shall have the offer of receiving, in rotation, the annual meeting of the General Association, and each one, in turn, shall appoint one of their number to preach the Associational Sermon, which shall be delivered at two o'clock, Thursday, P. M., after which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered. The narratives given by the Delegates of the several Associations concerning the state of religion and the churches, shall be given on Wednesday afternoon, and shall be presented in writing, with a view to obtain an accurate account of the principal facts, not however to prevent any more particular details which the Delegates may think expedient to add, or the Association to request. The returns, with respect to the number in the churches, etc., shall be made out according to a printed schedule of this body, and according to the numbers on the first of January past.

26. A Committee shall be appointed to receive the narratives and statements, and shall condense them into one narrative, to be submitted to the General Association and published. The written narratives shall be deposited with the Secretary.

27. A Committee shall be appointed to nominate Delegates to foreign bodies, which delegates shall, as far as practicable, be selected from the District Associations in rotation. The brethren chosen substitutes in the delegations to the several bodies in our connection, shall, at our next session be considered as Delegates to the respective bodies, if they shall not previously have taken their seats there, through the failure of their principals.

28. The Secretary shall be chosen for three years, from the close of the meeting at which the choice shall be made. He shall, *ex officio*, be the Treasurer of the General Association; and shall be allowed his own travelling expenses in attending the meetings of this Association.

A Committee shall be appointed annually, to audit the accounts, who shall report the state of the treasury, and the sum in their opinion necessary to be paid the next year by the members of the several Associations connected with this body. The Secretary shall be authorized to pay such expenses as are allowed by this Association.

29. It shall be the duty of the Delegates of the District Associations, to pay the amount of the Assessments due from their respective Associations for the past year, whether collected by them or not.

30. A Publishing Committee shall be annually appointed, to make such extracts from the minutes of the meeting, as in their judgment it will be proper to publish; procure to be printed such number of copies, with the Pastoral Address and Narrative of the State of Religion, as will give one copy to each minister of the Associations represented in this body; and such a number of copies for other bodies connected with this Association, as shall be mutually agreed upon. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to receive the publications from foreign bodies, and distribute them among the several Associations, in proportion to the tax paid by them respectively. One copy of each publication, received by the General Association, or printed by its order, shall be kept in the archives.

31. An Agent shall be appointed in Boston to transmit the Extracts of the Minutes of this General Association to other ecclesiastical bodies, and to receive their Extracts or other publications, and transmit them to the several District Associations represented in this body. And notice of his appointment and place of business, shall be inserted in the printed Extracts. He shall be entitled to a suitable compensation.

32. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to communicate proper information to the Agent in Boston, and to the Publishing Committee, for their direction.

33. Previously to the close of each meeting, the General Association shall specify a place for meeting the next year, and request some District Association to appoint a preacher to deliver the Associational Sermon. And the church of the place of meeting is desired to make preparations to celebrate the Lord's Supper during the session.

34. A *Vote* or *Resolve* to establish, alter, or annul a *standing rule* of this body, shall be read twice on different days, and may be debated at each reading. At the first reading the question shall be, Shall it be read the second time?

BY-LAWS.

1. An annual sermon shall be preached before the Association, on the subject of Home Missions, and a collection taken. The preacher shall be appointed by this body.

2. No report of the state of religion shall be read in public, unless it be approved by the Association from which it comes, or by the Committee of Arrangements of the General Association.

3. It is recommended to the several District Associations, to have their narratives on the state of religion, condensed, so as not to exceed five minutes in the time of reading.

4. The printed Minutes of this Association, shall be sufficient testimonials of the appointment of Delegates to Foreign Bodies.

5. It shall be the duty of those Delegates who attend the meetings of Foreign Bodies, whether they be Primaries or Substitutes, to certify the Secretary in writing, on or before the opening of the annual meeting next after his appointment.

6. The Minutes of this Association shall be sent to the individual members of the Associations connected with this body by mail, and the Chairman of the Committee of Publication, shall furnish a list of the names required to the Agents of the Association.

7. The Minutes of this body, forwarded to the General Association of Connecticut, shall be, according to their request, sent by mail, under the direction of the Publishing Committee.

8. The names of all the members of the Associations belonging to this body, whether with or without charge, shall be inserted in the published returns.

9. Every church without a pastor, by paying twenty-five cents, annually, to the Treasurer of the General Association, through the Treasurer of the local Association, with which said church is connected, shall be entitled to receive the Minutes of the General Association, to be forwarded in the same way as minutes are forwarded to members of the Association.

FORM OF A SCHEDULE FOR THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

☞ It is expected that each member of the particular Associations in Massachusetts will make returns agreeably to this form, to his Association at its meeting next preceding each annual meeting of the General Association, and that the Delegates from each Association will combine all the returns to his Association into one, to be presented to the General Association, *arranging the churches in alphabetical order, adding up and stating the whole amount in each column, and making the return, in all respects, as complete as possible.* ☞ The *absent* members are to be regarded as included in the columns with the others.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Pro	Rec.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.

LIST OF A GENERAL LOG AND ABSENT LETTER OF THE STATE OF THE CREDITS.

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MINUTES.

The General Association of Massachusetts assembled in the Meeting-house of the Central Congregational Church in Fall River, June 27th, 1854, at 5 o'clock, P. M. The delegates were called to order, in the absence of the pastor, by the Rev. Dr. Davis, Secretary of the Association; and Rev. J. T. Tucker was chosen Scribe, *pro tem.*

Delegates.

The following clergymen presented certificates of their election as delegates from District Associations, and were enrolled as members, viz:—

Andover Association,	Rev. H. M. Storrs.
Berkshire North Asso.,	Rev. Joseph Knight, Rev. J. Todd, D. D.
Berkshire South Asso.,	Rev. W. H. Phelps, Rev. A. H. Dashiell, Jr.
Brewster Association,	Rev. N. S. Dickinson, Rev. E. Dow.
Bridgewater Association,	Rev. David Bingham, Rev. Calvin Chapman.
Brookfield Association,	Rev. T. G. Colton.
Essex North Association,	Rev. Albert Paine, Rev. S. J. Spaulding.
Essex South Association,	Rev. U. W. Condit.
Franklin Association,	Rev. D. A. Strong, Rev. B. F. Clark.
Hampden East Asso.,	Rev. Jonathan Bowers, Rev. S. G. Buckingham.

Hampden West Asso.,	Rev. Ralph Perry, Rev. Henry Cooley.
Hampshire Association,	Rev. M. E. White, Rev. R. S. Stone.
Hampshire East Asso.,	Rev. J. W. Curtis.
Harmony Association,	Rev. T. C. Biscoe, Rev. William Warren.
Mendon Association,	Rev. T. T. Richmond, Rev. J. T. Tucker.
Middlesex South Asso.,	Rev. J. C. Webster, Rev. E. Dowse.
Middlesex Union Asso.,	Rev. E. A. Bulkley.
Norfolk Association.	Rev. H. D. Walker, Rev. D. Wight, Jr.
Old Colony Association,	Rev. E. W. Harrington, Rev. W. L. Mather.
Pilgrim Association,	Rev. Stillman Pratt, Rev. Edward P. Kimball.
Salem Association,	Rev. Jeremiah Taylor, Rev. A. R. Baker.
Suffolk North Asso.,	Rev. W. I. Budington, Rev. George Richards.
Suffolk South Asso.,	Rev. Edward Beecher, D. D., Rev. R. W. Clark.
Taunton Association,	Rev. A. Cobb, Rev. N. Richardson.
Vineyard Sound Asso.,	Rev. A. C. Childs, Rev. Horace Pratt.
Woburn Association,	Rev. George T. Dole, Rev. W. C. Whitcomb.
Worcester Central Asso.,	Rev. J. R. Worcester, Rev. George Bushnell.
Worcester North Asso.,	Rev. W. H. Hayward, Rev. A. P. Marvin.
Mass. Home Miss. Soc.,	Rev. J. S. Clark, D. D., Rev. S. H. Emery.

Members Ex-Officio.

Rev. Emerson Davis, D. D., Secretary.
Rev. E. Thurston, Pastor.

Delegates from Corresponding Bodies.

General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, which was held at Buffalo, N. Y.,—Rev. Stuart Robinson.

General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, which was held at Philadelphia,—Rev. James W. McLane, D. D.

Congregational Union of Canada,—Rev. Henry Wilkes, D. D.

Vermont General Convention,—Rev. S. M. Plimpton.

General Association of New Hampshire,—Rev. N. Barbour.

General Association of Connecticut,—Rev. Austin Putnam.

Evangelical Consociation of Congregational Churches in Rhode Island,—Rev. Samuel Wolcott.

General Association of the State of New York,—Rev. B. B. Parsons.

Presbyterian and Congregational Convention of Wisconsin,—Rev. C. W. Munroe.

Honorary Members.

Rev. Charles J. Hinsdale, delegate to General Assembly, New School.

Rev. A. Eldridge, delegate to General Assembly, Old School.

Rev. J. W. Ward, delegate to General Association of Illinois.

Rev. Dr. Dimmick, delegate to General Association of Iowa.

Organization.

The Rev. John Todd, D. D., was chosen Moderator; Rev. J. T. Tucker, Scribe; and Rev. Rufus W. Clark, Assistant Scribe.

Prayer was offered by the Moderator, and the Rules of the Association were read by the Secretary.

Committees.

The following Committees were appointed:—

On Elections,—Rev. Messrs. Knight, Storrs, and Jeremiah Taylor.

On Arrangements,—Rev. Messrs. Dr. Clark, Buckingham, and S. H. Emery and Pastor.

On Nominations,—Rev. Messrs. Dr. Edward Beecher, Buckley and E. W. Harrington.

On Accounts,—Rev. Messrs. Brigham and Condit.

On Publication,—Rev. Messrs. R. W. Clark, G. Richards and L. Whiting.

To prepare the Narrative of the State of Religion,—Rev. Messrs. Worcester, Baker, Walker, Perry and Dashiell.

To nominate Delegates to Foreign Bodies,—Rev. Messrs. Richards, Marvin and Dickinson.

The Committee of Arrangements reported, that the same order of procedure be adopted as last year, unless objected to. Report was adopted.

In the failure of both the preachers for this evening before the Mass. Home Missionary Society, voted, that the Rev. E. Davis, D. D., be requested to preach.

Association adjourned, with prayer, to 7¾ o'clock.

Tuesday evening, 7¾ *o'clock*. Association met in public worship, and listened to a discourse by Rev. Dr. Davis, from Luke vii. 22. A collection was taken up of $38 56.

After service, Association adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Wednesday, 8 *o'clock*. The Association met according to adjournment. After the calling of the Roll, prayer was offered by the Moderator, and the Minutes of the previous day were read.

The following gentlemen were, on motion, invited to sit as honorary members:—

Rev. L. Beecher, D. D., Boston; Rev. J. Bruce, Connecticut; Rev. S. Bliss, Boston; Rev. B. Holmes, Andover; Rev. M. Badger, D. D., New-York; Rev. I. N. Tarbox, Boston; Rev. S. Clark, Worcester; Rev. W. C. Dickinson, Middleboro'; Rev. N. Cogswell, Yarmouth; Rev. A. Bullard, Boston; Rev. W. P. Doe, Rhode-Island; Rev. S. Harding, Boston; Rev. N. Monroe, Bradford; Rev. S. B. Morley, Attleboro'; Rev. G. Ford, Groton; Rev. E. Sanford, Raynham; Rev. S. Raymond, Bridgewater; Rev. L. Swain, Rhode-Island; Rev. J. J. Abbott, Uxbridge; Rev. R. Torrey, Rhode-Island; Rev. Thomas Shepard, D. D., Rhode-Island; Rev. R. Carver, Raynham;

Rev. Charles D. Lothrop, Sterling; Rev. B. Dickinson, D. D., Boston; Rev. S. S. Joselyn, New-York.

Reports from Delegates to Corresponding Bodies.

Reports were received from:—

Rev. J. W. Ward, at the General Association of Illinois.

Rev. A. Eldridge, at the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, at Buffalo, N. Y.

Rev. C. I. Hinsdale, at the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, at Philadelphia.

Rev. Dr. Dimmick reported that he performed by letter this same duty to the General Association of Iowa.

Report on Nomination of Delegates to Foreign Bodies.

Rev. Dr. E. Davis, from the Committee on Nominations of Delegates to Foreign Bodies, made the following report, which, on motion, was accepted, and, after discussion, was adopted:—

The Committee appointed to prepare a Schedule to regulate the appointment of Delegates to Foreign Bodies in correspondence with us, beg leave to report:—

It has been said that some Associations have sent more delegates to Foreign Bodies than others, and that some members of Associations have been appointed more frequently than others. We believe this is true. From an examination of the Minutes for twenty-five successive years, it appears that Brookfield Association, having eighteen churches, has had twenty-six appointments, while Franklin, which has twenty-five churches, has had only fifteen appointments, and Hampshire, with seventeen churches, only nine appointments. Suffolk North and Worcester Central, each having eighteen churches, have had each twenty-five appointments, while Woburn, with sixteen churches, has had only eight, and Essex North, with twenty-five churches, has had but nineteen. It is plain, therefore, that justice has not been done to the Associations in the matter of appointments.

We do not believe, however, that there has been any intention on the part of committees who have made out and nominated the list of delegates to do any injustice. The committees, it is not likely, are acquainted with half

the clergymen in the State, and they do not know to what Associations those who have been appointed, belonged. It is true they have documents in their hands by studying which carefully several hours, they might ascertain from what Associations the appointments ought to be made. They cannot spend the time, and throwing aside the papers, proceed to make a selection in the best way they can. We believe the committees have done the best they could.

If any individual has never been appointed it was because he did not happen to be personally known to the committee, and not because they designed to slight him.

We have marked out a plan which will secure the appointment of one delegate from each Association every year. This we know is not perfectly equal, for it gives to a small Association a delegate as often as it does to a large one, but the plan has the merit of being simple and feasible.

We have twenty-eight Associations, and appoint annually twenty-eight new delegates, who are substitutes for those appointed the previous year. We have arranged the Associations alphabetically, and divided them into two divisions, the first fourteen in one, and the last fourteen in the other. We have arranged the names of Foreign Bodies alphabetically, and to the first of them select one delegate from the first of the first division, and the other from the first in the second division.

THE SCHEDULE.

Assembly, (O. S.),	Andover and Mendon.
Assembly, (N. S.),	Berkshire North and Middlesex South.
Canada,	Berkshire South and Middlesex North.
Connecticut,	Brewster and Norfolk.
California and Oregon,	Bridgewater.
England and Wales,	Old Colony.
Illinois,	Brookfield and Pilgrim.
Iowa,	Essex North and Salem.
Maine,	Essex South and Suffolk North.
Michigan,	Franklin and Suffolk South.
New Hampshire,	Hampden East and Taunton.
New York,	Hampden West and Vineyard Sound.
Rhode Island,	Hampshire and Woburn.
Vermont,	Hampshire East and Worcester Central.
Wisconsin,	Harmony and Worcester North.

Next year move the names of the Bodies downward one place, and transfer the bottom one to the top, and so on in successive years, and give each Association an opportunity to send a delegate to all the Bodies in correspondence with us.

If the number of Associations shall hereafter be increased, it will be balanced, no doubt, by an increase in the number of corresponding Bodies. Whatever changes may occur can be provided for hereafter.

The Committee recommend that when more than two delegates are to be appointed to any foreign Body, they be selected from the large Associations.

Subject of Slavery.

Committee of Arrangements reported certain papers on the subject of Slavery as business in order for the Association. On motion, that part of this business relating to correspondence with the Assemblies of the Presbyterian Church, was referred to a Committee of five,—Rev. Messrs. Warren, Marvin, Brigham, J. Taylor, and Mather.

On motion, the remainder of these papers were referred to a special Committee of five,—Rev. Messrs. H. M. Storrs, R. W. Clark, Colton, R. S. Stone, and Bushnell.

Devotional Exercises.

After a recess of ten minutes, the Association spent a season in devotional exercises, during which obituary notices of clergymen deceased during the year were presented.

Rev. George H. Newhall, of Walpole, died Aug. 21, 1853, aged 27 years.

Rev. Elias Wells, of Sandwich, died Sept. 9, 1853, aged 44 years.

Rev. George Fisher, of Harvard, died Sept. 6, 1853, aged 57 years.

Rev. Oliver M. Sears, of Dalton, died Sept. 29, 1853, aged 35 years.

Rev. Joshua Bates, D. D., of Dudley, died Jan. 14, 1854, aged 78 years.

Rev. John Storrs, of Winchendon, died May 8, 1854, aged 52 years.

Rev. Phineas Fish, of Cotuit, died June 16, 1854, aged 69 years.

Place of next Meeting.

Voted, That the next meeting of this Body be held in the First Church in Northampton, Rev. J. P. Cleaveland, D. D., Pastor.

Mendon Association to appoint the Associational Preacher.

Pastoral Address.

Rev. A. Cobb presented the Pastoral Address, which, on motion, was accepted, and referred to the Publishing Committee for publication.

Adjourned to 2 P. M.

Reports of State of Religion.

2 *o'clock, P. M.* Association proceeded to hear reports of Narratives on the State of Religion, after uniting in prayer with Rev. Dr. Wilkes of Montreal, Canada.

The narratives from the local Associations having been finished, the Association received the salutations of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (O. S.,) from the Rev. Stuart Robinson, delegate from that Body.

Rev. J. W. McLane, D. D., delegate from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (N. S.,) presented the fraternal greetings of that Body.

Next Pastoral Letter.

Rev. Dr. Leonard Withington, Messrs. Hosford and Pike were appointed a Committee to prepare the Pastoral Address.

Preacher on Home Missions.

Rev. John Todd, D. D., was appointed Primary, and Rev. J. T. Tucker Alternate, as preachers before the Mass. Home Missionary Society, next year.

Congregational Library Association.

On motion of Dr. J. S. Clark, resolved, That the objects of the Congregational Library Association entitle it to the

sympathy and patronage of the entire denomination; and that the Congregational ministers in this Commonwealth be requested to bring the subject before their respective churches, in such form as they may think proper, with a view to secure their membership and coöperation.

Adjourned, with prayer by Rev. A. R. Baker, to 7¾ o'clock.

Reports of State of Religion—continued.

Wednesday evening, 7¾ *o'clock.* Association met, and, after prayer by Rev. J. W. Ward and singing, proceeded with the reception of delegates from Foreign Bodies.

Rev. H. Wilkes, D. D., presented the salutations of Canada Union to this Body.

Rev. S. M. Plimpton appeared as delegate from the General Convention of Vermont.

Rev. N. Barbour appeared as delegate from the General Association of New Hampshire.

Rev. A. Putnam appeared as delegate from the General Association of Connecticut.

Rev. B. B. Parsons appeared as delegate from the General Association of the State of New York.

Rev. C. W. Munroe appeared as delegate from the Presbyterian and Congregational Convention of Wisconsin.

Rev. Samuel Wolcott appeared as delegate from the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island.

Voted, To adjourn to 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Thursday, 8 *o'clock, A. M.* Association met, and the Roll was called. Prayer was offered by the Moderator. The Minutes were read and approved.

The Report on Correspondence with the Presbyterian General Assemblies was taken up, and the following resolution was adopted:—

Resolved, That in continuing our correspondence with the General Assemblies of the Presbyterian Church, it is our desire and expectation that *Delegates* shall thoroughly represent the sentiment of our churches upon the subject of slavery, as often expressed in the votes of this Body.

The Report of Rev. Dr. Dimmick, on "Rules," was taken up, and being amended, was, on motion, adopted as follows:—

Resolved, That the introduction of a Lay Delegation into this Body is, in the estimation of this Body, desirable, if it be effected with the concurrence of the Associations and churches.

Rev. Dr. Edward Beecher, from the same Committee, reported the following resolution, which was adopted:—

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to draw up, for the consideration of the Association, a plan of organization, in which the existing Conferences and local benevolent Associations, be combined in one system, from which may be appointed a lay delegation, to be united in this Body with the clerical delegation. That said Committee shall also be directed to receive the responses of the Associations and of the churches through them, and to report the result to this Body at their meeting the next year.

The following Committee was appointed under this resolution,—Rev. Messrs. Dr. Dimmick, J. S. Clark, and S. Sweetzer.

The Nebraska Papers.

On motion, the Report of the Committee on the Nebraska papers was received and adopted, as follows:—

Believing it to have been God's design in founding this nation to provide a land where Religion and Liberty should be unrestrained, and their enjoyment secured to every inhabitant; and believing that a crisis has been reached, in which it must soon be decided whether this is to be a free or a slave Republic, therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we view with sorrow and alarm the recent aggressions of the slave power in this country, as opposed to the manifest will of God, as violations of the national honor and faith, and as encouraging the rupture of all national ties; and that first of all we appeal to God for the justice of our cause, and entreat his aid in all our efforts to avert the consummation we deplore.

2. That we deem it not only a right but our solemn duty, as christian ministers, to rebuke, as they deserve, the evils and sins connected with slavery, and to advocate

those sacred principles of liberty which lie at the foundation of every just government, and serve as the fruitful source of all true, social and national prosperity.

3. That, in the present emergency, it is the duty of our great Benevolent Societies, and that we call upon every one which would receive our confidence or support, to make no exceptions in favor of American slavery, but to deal with it as with other sins, which hinder the coming of Christ.

4. That we deem it the duty of all good men and christian ministers emigrating westward, whose destination is not determined by other and proper considerations, to join the emigration to Kansas and Nebraska, and there help to build up free States.

5. That no human enactments can absolve us, as Christians, from the duty of feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, and relieving the stranger and the oppressed who flee to us for protection.

All which is respectfully submitted.

H. M. Storrs,
In behalf of Committee.

Rev. Dr. E. Beecher presented the following additional resolution :—

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to confer with the Publishing Societies referred to in the action of this Body the last year, to ascertain their views and action on the subject of slavery, and report to this Body the next year.

Committee appointed is Rev. Messrs. Worcester of Salem, Storrs, Eldridge, Tucker, and Dr. E. Beecher.

Delegates to Foreign Bodies.

The Report of the Committee on Nominations to Foreign Bodies was presented, and is as follows :—

To the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (O. S.) next meeting in Nashville, Ten., 3d Tuesday of May, 1855 :

Rev. L. F. Dimmick, D. D.,	Primaries.
Rev. L. Sabin,	
Rev. H. M. Storrs,	Substitutes.
Rev. J. T. Tucker,	

To the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (N. S.), next meeting in St. Louis, 3d Tuesday of May, 1855:

Rev. A. L. Stone, } Primaries.
Rev. Samuel Harris, }
Rev. J. Jay Dana, } Substitutes.
Rev. W. M. Thayer, }

To the General Conference of Maine:

Rev. B. F. Hosford, } Primaries.
Rev. J. A. Copp, }
Rev. J. E. Dwinell, } Substitutes.
Rev. A. C. Adams, }

To the General Association of New Hampshire, next meeting at Derry, 4th Tuesday of August, 1854:

Rev. R. S. Storrs, } Primaries.
Rev. D. Eastman, }
Rev. E. B. Clark, } Substitutes.
Rev. R. Carver, }

To the General Convention of Vermont, next meeting in Brattleboro':

Rev. A. M. Colton, } Primaries.
Rev. J. M. Paine, }
Rev. R. McEwen, } Substitutes.
Rev. S. Sweetser, D. D., }

To the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island, next meeting at Pawtucket, 2d Tuesday of June, 1855:

Rev. J. White, } Primaries.
Rev. Osborn Myrick, }
Rev. R. S. Stone, } Substitutes.
Rev. J. Edwards, }

To the General Association of Connecticut, next meeting at Meriden, 3d Tuesday of June, 1855:

Rev. L. Whiting, } Primaries.
Rev. J. Todd, }
Rev. I. C. Thacher, } Substitutes.
Rev. J. M. Means, }

To the General Association of New York, next meeting at Madrid, Aug. 25, 1854:

Rev. C. Packard, } Primaries.
Rev. B. G. Clark, }
Rev. R. Perry, } Substitutes.
Rev. H. B. Hooker, }

To the General Association of Michigan:

Rev. M. K. Cross, } Primaries.
Rev. S. G. Buckingham, }
Rev. W. H. Gilbert, } Substitutes.
Rev. R. W. Clark, }

To the Presbyterian and Congregational Convention of Wisconsin, next meeting at Fond du Lac, 1st Tuesday of Oct., 1854:

Rev. I. P. Langworthy, Primary.
Rev. J. J. Abbott, } Substitutes.
Rev. J. C. Paine, }

To the General Association of Illinois:

Rev. J. C. Webster, Primary.
Rev. J. Morse, } Substitutes.
Rev. E. Alden, Jr., }

To the General Association of Iowa:

Rev. N. Munroe, } Primaries.
Rev. P. Cook, D. D., }
Rev. J. Pike, } Substitutes.
Rev. M. P. Braman, D. D., }

To the General Association of California and Oregon:

Rev. J. S. Clark, Primary.
Rev. J. D. Farnsworth, Substitute.

To the Congregational Union of Canada:

Rev. B. Tappan, Jr., } Primaries.
Rev. A. E. P. Perkins, }
Rev. O. Lombard, } Substitutes.
Rev. L. H. Sheldon, }

To the Congregational Union of England and Wales:

Rev. W. L. Mather.

Narrative of the State of Religion.

Rev. J. R. Worcester presented the Narrative on the State of Religion.

Voted, That it be adopted, and published in the Minutes.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Buddington,—

Resolved, That in view of the reports from the district Associations made to this Body by their respective delegates, especially when taken in connection with the increase of our population and our wealth, this Association is impressed with the solemn conviction that our Congregational churches are not making the advance, in numbers and benevolence which is to be expected from our present relations and historical antecedents.

Resolved, That the Publishing Committee be instructed to compare the statistics of the churches with those of our population, and present the results of such comparison to the General Association at their next meeting.

The Treasurer's Report was presented and adopted.

Infant Baptism.

The Committee on Infant Baptism, at the request of its chairman, Rev. N. Adams, D. D., was continued until next year, to perfect its report.

The Secretary presented a letter from Rev. W. E. Catlin, a delegate from the General Association of Illinois, conveying the friendly greetings of that Body.

Alphabetical Catalogue.

Voted, That the Committee on Publication be directed to prepare an Alphabetical Catalogue of all the names of Ministers in our Minutes, with their Post-office address.

Vote of Thanks.

On motion of Dr. J. S. Clark,—

Voted, That the thanks of this Association be cordially and earnestly tendered to the Church and people of Rev. Eli Thurston and to other families in Fall River, for their

generous hospitalities to the members of the Association in this present session; to the Choir, for their very acceptable performances on the occasion of our public meetings; and to the Moderator, for the courtesy, patience and ability with which he has presided over the deliberations of this Body.

Minutes were approved.

Voted, That the Association adjourn to 2 o'clock this afternoon, and was closed with prayer by Rev. S. Wolcott.

2 *o'clock, P. M.* The Association met to observe the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The sermon was preached by Rev. J. J. Abbott of Uxbridge, from Galatians, ii. 20. Rev. Messrs. Dr. Badger, Hurlbert and McLane, aided the Moderator in administering the Sacrament.

After prayer, the Association adjourned *sine die*.

JOHN TODD, *Moderator.*

J. T. TUCKER, *Scribe.*

R. W. CLARK, *Assistant Scribe.*

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

AIDED by reports from the different local Associations, we are called now to look back upon another year, and to consider what, during the year, has been done, in connection with the more than 460 Congregational Churches of this Commonwealth, to win souls to Christ, and to promote the interests of the Redeemer's kingdom. While we see much cause for gratitude, it cannot but be felt at once, that there is much occasion also for humiliation. Sustained by Him in whose hand our breath is, most, not all, of those ministers who were connected with this body one year ago, still live, and are permitted still to preach the gospel. The churches too still live. The members are generally at peace among themselves, and "walk," we trust, in some good measure, "in the truth." Some of the feeble churches are gaining strength, some of the strong are becoming yet more strong, some are leaving the houses in which they and their fathers have worshipped, and are erecting more elegant and costly structures, and a few cases are mentioned in which, urged by a necessity growing out of an increase of church and congregation until they have not room, one church is about to become two bands. There are not wanting such outward marks of progress, but, alas, some of the Associations speak of a worldly prosperity too great apparently for the spiritual good of the churches. The Lord's hand is not shortened that it cannot save, neither is his ear heavy that it cannot hear, yet among all our churches not more than about thirty report any thing which can be spoken of as a revival of religion, and in most of these cases the interest

does not seem to have been of a very deep and extensive character. A few instances there have been of deeply interesting and powerful works of grace, and some of the Associations which do not report revivals, yet speak of the churches as having generally received accessions from the world, to a greater or less extent, which afford occasion for grateful praise. We would not forget that "there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over *one* sinner that repenteth," and while we mourn that the last has not been marked as "a year of the right hand of the Most High" among our churches, doubtless because of too little prayer and too little effort, we would still rejoice and give thanks that not one only, but some hundreds of the members of our congregations have, within the year, been hopefully translated from the kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of God's dear Son.

While called to humiliation by the fact that so few seem to have been savingly benefitted by our labors the past year, we are admonished to do with our might what our hands find to do in the future, not by this fact only. Seven pastors who were connected with this Body, Rev. Messrs. Newhall, Fisher, Wells, Sears, Bates, Storrs, and Fish; and at least four other ministers who have heretofore been pastors among our churches, Rev. Messrs. Preserved Smith, William A. Hawley, Jared Read, and Jonathan Bigelow, have been called to cease from their labors upon earth. We too must soon cease from our labors, and should work the work of him that sent us, while it is day.

It is painful to notice in how many instances the pastoral relation has been sundered in other ways than by death. The reports of the different Associations do not yet give all the facts upon the subject, but the number of dismissions during the year cannot have been much less than forty. In not a few cases these dismissions have been occasioned by want of adequate support. The salaries of ministers have not generally been increased, in proportion to the increased expenses of living, and the consequence has been, in many cases, that pastors have been obliged to leave fields in which they might otherwise have still been usefully and happily employed. It is cheering to learn, however, that the churches are beginning not only to increase the pecuniary compensation offered when they invite ministers to become their pastors,

but, in some cases, to consider the necessities, in present circumstances, of those already settled, and generously to meet those necessities.

Sabbath schools in most sections of the state seem to be in a condition quite as interesting and promising as heretofore. There is still complaint in some Associations of far too much neglect on the part of parents of the duty and the privilege of consecrating their infant children to God in the rite of baptism; and this, we fear, is often evidence that in other respects parents are not doing all they should do to bring their children under the influence of the truth, and secure for them a saving interest in Christ.

The various benevolent enterprises of the day still receive the benefactions of the churches. In several Associations, contributions to these enterprises are distinctly said to have increased. There is progress from year to year, it is believed, in the amount contributed by our churches, but whether that progress on the whole keeps pace even with the increased ability of the churches may be doubtful. Certainly very many of the members of our churches have yet much to learn in regard to the duty and the privilege of living to do good. The churches are not yet, to so great extent as we trust they will soon become, bodies of benevolent, giving men, working for Christ. Quite too many of their numbers have come to their inclosure apparently only to live in Christ, not to live for Christ; to rest, to hope, and to be saved, but not to work; not feeling that, through their agency, this world, so lost in darkness and in sin, is to be filled with light and holiness.

Right feeling in regard to temperance has, it is believed, been making progress in our churches. The conviction is becoming more deep and more extensive, that much remains yet to be accomplished, and the firm determination is increasing to do what may be done, both to suppress the sale of intoxicating drinks and to dissuade the people from their use.

We should not do justice to the reports of the different Associations, upon which this report is based,—to the feelings of the pastors, the churches, and the people at large of this Commonwealth, or to our own feelings, should we fail to mention one other subject which is not always mentioned in this annual narrative. God, whose

thoughts are not our thoughts, nor his ways our ways, who will make the wrath of man to praise him, but who does not always restrain that wrath when we would restrain it had we the power, has, in his wisdom, suffered laws to be enacted and events to take place in our country within the last few years, and especially within the last few months, which, while they have caused us deeply to mourn, have also awakened among us new interest in the cause of human liberty, and have caused us to be, more than ever heretofore, of one heart and one mind in our deep hostility to slavery, as it exists in the Southern States of this Union; in our determination to do what in us lies to prevent the extension of that system of oppression, and in our desires for, and our prayers and efforts to hasten on, the time when, in this land at least, all the chains of the oppressor shall be broken, and all the oppressed go free. We mourn, for great wrong has been done; we fear, for there is danger that yet other wrongs will be done, and great evils brought upon our land; but we do not mourn, even in this case, as those who have no hope. We do hope that out of all this evil God purposes to bring good.

From delegates present from ecclēsiastical Bodies in other States of this Union, and on our borders, we have been permitted to hear many things which give us great pleasure, as they indicate the progress of the cause of truth and righteousness within their limits, and thus animate our hopes and cheer us in our labors, as we look for the time when all the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdoms of our Lord.

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

Dear Brethren,—

We address you on a topic, as we think, suited to the times upon which we have fallen. In the agitated state of our country and of the world, amid the restlessness of human passions, it seems to us, there is no theme more important, than the Apostle's exhortation to his beloved brethren at Thessalonica—"Study to be quiet."

You are aware, that it is your duty to cherish all the christian virtues, the basis of which is love to God and man. As Christians, you are not to "pass over the love of God;" nor over love to one another. If you love God, whom you have not seen, you will love your brother whom you have seen. If you love your brother, you will seek his welfare; you will not injure him, in his person, property, or reputation. You will then "study to be quiet." This study, brethren, is a great and profound study. It springs from love, and is what angels know and practice. In view of the uneasy spirits of men, it is no wonder we are exhorted to be quiet; and so momentous is the virtue, we are bound to make it the great pursuit of life; and study into the nature, the science, the philosophy of quietude.

You readily perceive, brethren, this virtue is freedom from alarm—not turbulent, not offensive, not troublesome; but calm, mild, meek, contented. It is far removed from all infringement on the rights of others, whereby their peace is disturbed—their just interests are, in any way, prejudiced.

Brethren, it is no part of quietness, to be indifferent to surrounding objects. Though it does not move out of its circle, yet it does move in it, and is diligent in its appropriate sphere. It is an intense pursuit of what belongs to us; and one important thing belonging to us, is to take a deep interest in all events and measures. Move in your own channel, and let others do the same. Your sphere is to reverence God in his works, providence and grace, and not to be stoical in any thing.

The Scriptures inculcate a laborious life. It was a law, enacted by the Creator, from the beginning, for all future generations, "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread." The apostle reiterates the same: "He that will not work, neither shall he eat." In your study to be quiet, do not lead an indolent life. The best way to be quiet, is to be engaged in our own appropriate calling, so as not to molest others.

Consider, friends, this is an equitable spirit. All men are born free, and are entitled equally to "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." The spirit we are commending gives to all their sacred rights; and unless we are quiet, we infringe upon them and are unjust and oppressive. The equitable rule of our blessed Savior, "All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them," is a happy illustration of quietude. This spirit is the spirit of peace. "Blessed are the peace makers."

It becomes Christians, in order to be quiet, to be humble. Nothing can contribute more to quietness than humility. A person of an unquiet temper is never humble. He is proud, boisterous, boasting of things without his measure. But if humble, he will lay no claims above his rights. He will be sober and unassuming.

There is also, brethren, an honesty interwoven with this virtue, that is commendable; keeping us back from disturbing our neighbor, from robbing him of his rest, or cheating him of his due. The apostle mentions honesty as one of the results of quietness: "Be quiet, that ye walk honestly towards them that are without." The unquiet are busy-bodies, and are cheats upon the public. Our study is to attend to our own business, that we may be *honest*. There is a comfortableness in this spirit, which will abundantly repay the effort. It is even. He that goes by fits and starts, is not quiet, nor comfortable. Be

not to-day this way, and to-morrow that, lest you be uncomfortable to yourselves and to your neighbors. Be equally balanced—never ruffled.

A few words upon the *study* of this spirit. You cannot attain to it, unless you study for it. We are apt to be restless, and often think we have a right to be so, especially when things do not go to suit us. The bad principle is so interwoven with our moral nature, it requires hard study to find out its retreats, and eradicate its poison. We must study all the laws of our natures, to see where our quiet is likely to be disturbed; and stand against every foe that may ruffle our passions.

Consider, brethren, how much good influence this virtue would have upon the world. Were all nature quiet, there would be no storms, tempests, hurricanes, nor earthquakes. We should behold the quiet of nature, and perceive naught but the small rain upon the tender herb, the genial showers upon the grass, and the influence of an unclouded sun to finish the blessing. So, let the passions of men be quiet, there would be no wars, no turmoil, no disputings, no backbitings, and mischievous talking; no swelling billows, tossing men upon the ocean of human life. Every man would love his neighbor as himself; would be industrious, and endeavor to make others so. If every Christian would study this virtue, and practice it, it would be as life from the dead to the circle in which he moved. Every one should study to do his part.

There is a harmony about quietness, which is lovely. Were all our churches and congregations and communities quiet, there would be peace and concord reigning among them. Ministers would dwell among their own people, and our churches would esteem them very highly in love for their works sake. We should have harmonious families, parishes and states—no agitations. Would not all be of one heart and one soul?

Brethren, it is a very pleasant and lovely way to pass along our probation. The amiability of quietness commends it to our particular study. Some seem to be in their chosen element always finding fault with somebody or something, or every body and every thing. But we have a lesson to learn, of greater magnitude, during our probation, than to sow seeds of discord among the community. Is it not desirable that every man should sit under his vine and fig-tree, with none to make afraid.

It is safe to be quiet. "He that walketh uprightly, walketh surely." The path of duty is the path of safety. A meek and quiet spirit, is the ornament of our holy religion.

By these remarks, we intend not to recommend to you the spirit of inaction. The old exploded doctrine of quietism, of more than two centuries ago, does not enter into the quiet spirit of the gospel. We are not to repose under a state of rest, in a sort of drowsy submission to divine influence; but to earnestly reach forward to greater attainments in holiness, and constantly lay up a good foundation for the time to come. We are to study to be quiet, and to do our own business, and work with our own hands; do with our might whatsoever our hands find to do. Christians have enough to do to employ all their time, their talents, and their hearts, to keep them with all diligence. They are to pray without ceasing and to watch unto prayer. "The whole world lieth in wickedness." Souls are perishing by thousands, and "the time is short." It is good to be jealously affected always in a good thing. "Let all your things be done with charity," in a quiet way.

Brethren, remember the poor heathen, and hasten to their rescue. Remember your own countrymen—the erratic, and *especially* them that are in bonds, as bound with them. Remember the church of God, the temple of the Holy Ghost; and study to be quiet within her consecrated walls. "Be at peace among yourselves." Seek the quietness of your own families, having your children in subjection; dedicating them to God, in that sacred rite of infant baptism, instituted by Christ, perpetuated by the apostles, by the primitive church, and by our pilgrim fathers. Brethren, a fearful responsibility rests upon our churches, for this neglect, and, to a great extent, the disuse of this ordinance. Remember your offspring need the thing signified, as well as yourselves: "The washing of regeneration, the renewing of the Holy Ghost, and the sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ."

Brethren, there is a fastidious spirit, we fear, too prevalent in our churches and communities, which is attended by bad results, especially in relation to the peace and permanency of the ministry, which frequently ends in the disquiet of the brethren. The same love of novelty appears in regard to them, as in regard to other men. Peo-

ple, from want of a quiet spirit, must have something new; not so much in thought, as manner, mode and measure; a new voice, a new mode of illustration, a new way of saying things, a new minister every two or three years. Study to be quiet in this matter.

Finally, beloved, we exhort you not to be carried about by every wind of doctrine—let your steadfastness appear in a quiet life. Seek not wonders in religion, any farther than God works to bring sinners out of darkness into his marvellous light. Enquire for the old paths of truth and soberness, and quietly fix your eye upon God, whose agency is marching through heaven and earth, in majestic sublimity and loveliness. Keep on quietly toward your final resting place. "Let thine eyes look right on, and let thine eyelids look straight before thee. Ponder the paths of thy feet, and let all thy ways be established. Learn the lesson of quietness thoroughly. Let your path be that of the just, which is as the shining light, that shineth more and more to the perfect day. Quietly wait upon the Lord, and he will renew your strength, and enable you to mount up, with wings as eagles, to run and not be weary, and walk and not faint."

TREASURER'S REPORT.

General Association of Massachusetts, in account with E. DAVIS, *Treasurer.*

			Cr.
June 1853.		Balance in Treasury,	$35 32
Sept. "		Received from Mendon Association,	7 00
June 1854.		Received from District Associations,	200 50
			$242 82

Contra, Dr.

June,	1854.	Paid Crocker and Brewster, for printing Minutes, etc.	136 75	
"	"	Paid for a package from Connecticut,	38	
"	"	Secretary's travelling expenses,	8 60	—145 73
		Balance in the Treasury,		$97 09

We have examined the above account, and find it correct. We recommend that a tax of 25 cents be assessed upon each member of the local Associations for the ensuing year.

D. BRIGHAM, }
U. W. CONDIT, } *Com. on Accounts.*

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

Arranged in the Alphabetical order of the several District Associations.

N. B. The columns denoting Churches, Ministers, and date of Settlement, correspond with the facts as they were supposed to exist when the last meeting of the General Association was held, June, 1854. The number of Communicants is reported for 1st January preceding. The Admissions, Removals, and Baptisms, are designed to cover the year 1853. The Sabbath Schools and Bible Classes embrace both teachers and pupils who usually attend these exercises. In a *few* instances the number of church members has been supplied from the returns of the previous year,—though not till all reasonable efforts have failed to secure the present number.

1. ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853			Removed 1853			Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Ex	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Andover, South,	Oct. 17, 1711	Vacant,		100	300	400	60	4	10	14	4	21		25		2	216
" West,	Dec 5, 1826	C. H. Pierce,	Oct 9, 1850	75	151	226	30	4	3	7	3	2		5		6	200
" North,	Sept. 3, 1834	W. T. Briggs,	Nov. 4, 1846	16	77	93	16				2			2		5	150
" Theol. Sem																	
Chelmsford, North,	April 27, 1824	B. F. Clark,	Aug. 1, 1839	32	52	84	10				3	2		5		2	100
Dracut, 1st Evan. ch.	1721	G. W. Thompson,	Stated supply.														
" West,	Aug 31, 1797	Vacant,		24	75	99					1	1		2			
" East,	1835	J. Merrill,	Stated supply.														
Lawrence, 1st ch.	April 19, 1847	H. M. Storrs,	Jan. 15, 1852	62	113	175	12	11	16	27		6		6	4	6	240
" Central ch	Dec. 25, 1849	W. C. Foster,	Jan. 16, 1852	54	112	166		12	7	19	1	1		2	9	15	200
Lowell, 1st ch.	June 6, 1826	W. Child, D. D.	Oct. 1, 1845														
" Appleton-st. c.	Dec. 2, 1831	George Darling,	Dec. 30, 1852	73	344	417	183	14	10	24	1	13		11	3	4	300
" John-st. ch.	May 9, 1839	E. B. Foster,	Feb. 3, 1853	102	400	502		9	17	26	3	4		7	5	3	486
" Kirk-st. ch.	May 21, 1845	A. Blanchard, D. D.	May 21, 1845	65	201	266	57	5	14	19	3	8		11	2		279
" High-st. ch.	Jan. 22, 1846	Vacant,		42	87	129	9	1		1		2		2		5	120
Methuen,	Oct. 29, 1729	J. C. Phillips,	Dec. 25, 1839	82	165	247		4	2	6	3	1		4	4		188
Tewksbury,	Nov. 29, 1734	{ J. Coggin, R. Tolman,	Oct. 22, 1806 Aug. 25, 1852	69	102	171	18	26	5	31	3	1		4	9	2	120
Westford,	Dec. 25, 1828	Thomas Wilson,	May, 4, 1853	52	102	154	50		5	5	1	2		3		1	125
Total, 18		15		848	2281	3129	415	90	89	179	28	64		92	36	51	2724

Without Pastoral Charge.—S. C. Jackson, D. D., John L. Taylor, Elijah P. Barrows, Prof. Theol. Seminary, Andover; Milton Badger, D. D, New York; Jesse Page, Atkinson, N. H.; Isaac Hosford, S. W. Hanks, and U. C. Burnap, Lowell; J. H. Towne, Bridgeport. Ct.; Charles Smith, Boston; Brown Emerson, Pa.

2. BERKSHIRE NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853				Removed 1853.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Adams, North,	April 19, 1827	R. Crawford,	Aug. 20, 1840	48	119	167	48	1	2	3	7	16	2	25	1		250
" South,	Jan. 1, 1840	J. Jay Dana,	June 15, 1848	24	66	90	25	4	4	8	2	10		12	1	2	174
Becket, North,	Sept. 25, 1849	C. H. Norton,	April 30, 1851	41	52	93	6	1	2	3	2	2		4	1	3	100
Dalton,	Feb. 16, 1785	Vacant,		17	45	62	12		1	1	3	3		6			51
Hinsdale,	Dec. 17, 1795	P. K. Clark,	June 16, 1852	74	132	206	13	33	6	39	6	9	3	18	5	11	207
Lanesboro',	March 28, 1764	C. Eddy,	Aug. 23, 1853	14	31	54	4		6	6	2	3		5			25
Peru,	June, 1770	J Knight,	July 6, 1836	66	98	164	7		2	2	3	2		5		1	150
Pittsfield, 1st,	Feb. 7, 1764	J. Todd, D. D.	Feb. 16, 1842	192	487	*629		5	13	18	5	10	3	16		17	275
" (colored,)	Feb. 20, 1846	S. Harrison,	Aug. 13, 1850	7	7	14	4									1	50
" South,	Nov. 12, 1850	S. Harris,	March 12, 1851	61	117	178	13	7	14	21	3	13		16	3	9	175
Richmond,		1765	C. S Renshaw,	Nov. 16, 1853	30	56	86	15	13		13				7	2	64
Washington,		1760	E L. Clark,	Feb 1853	9	19	28		3		3				1		40
Williamstown,		1765	A. Peters, D. D. / H. R. Hoisington,	Nov. 10, 1841 / Stated supply.	98	187	285	16	1	3	4	5	4		9		128
" South,		1836	Vacant,		16	28	44	10									
" College,	June 15, 1834	M Hopkins, D. D.	Sept 15, 1836	93		93	63	7		7		4					
Windsor,		1772	C. Peabody,	Stated supply	19	31	50	27		6	6	1	9		10			100
Canaan, 4 corn., N. Y.			J. Wickes,	Dec 6, 1848	26	55	81	22	3	2	5	2	2		4	1	4	50
Total, 17		16			843	1380	2323	284	78	61	129	41	87	8	130	20	59	1839

Without Pastoral Charge.—Heman Humphrey, D. D., and. W. H. Tyler, Pittsfield; Dwight W. Marsh, Missionary, Mosul, Turkey; H. A Wilder, Missionary, S Africa; Marshall D. Sanders, Missionary, Ceylon; Russel S. Cook, Sec. Am. Tract Soc., New York; John Tatlock, N. H. Griffin, and I. N. Lincoln, Professors in Williams College.

* Many of these absent.

3. BERKSHIRE SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Alford,	Aug. 13, 1846	Vacant,		9	19	28	2										30
Becket, 1st ch.	Feb. 22, 1759	Zolva Whitmore,	Feb. 18, 1852	25	55	80	15										104
Egremont,	Nov. 22, 1816	Elias Clark,	Jan. 7, 1851	23	50	73	9	1		1	2	2		4			46
Great Barrington,	Dec. 28, 1753	Steph. S. N. Greeley,	Feb. 4, 1852	66	166	232		15	16	31	2	13		15	2		345
" Housatonic,	June, 1841	Jacob G. Miller,	Stated supply.	39	76	115	50	1	3	4		10		10	1	2	40
Lee,	May, 25, 1780	Nahum Gale,	Sept. 1, 1853	127	231	358	63	3	14	17	12	11		23	1	4	250
Lenox,	1769	Vacant,		80	146	226		4	3	7	5	3	1	9	2	3	110
Monterey,	Sept. 25, 1750	Vacant,		32	59	91	6	2	1	3	4	2		6		1	90
New Marlboro', 1st ch.	Oct. 31, 1744	Richard T. Searle,	Sept. 28, 1852	42	86	128	31	3	3	6	1	3		4	1		125
" Southfield	April 25, 1794	Otis Lombard,	June 14, 1849	20	46	66	12		2	2		1		1			75
Otis,	Sept. 14, 1795	Vacant,		25	58	83	9	2	1	3	2	3		5			75
Sandisfield,	Feb. 24, 1756	Aaron Pickett,	Jan. 23, 1851	57	141	198	25		2	2	3	7		10			160
Sheffield,	Oct. 22, 1735	James Caldwell,		28	83	111		2		2	4	7		11		2	118
Stockbridge,	1734	Alfred H. Dashiell, Jr.	Dec. 11, 1850	84	193	277	52	14	4	18	8	5	1	14	3	6	130
" Curtisville,	Dec. 22, 1824	Vacant,		30	62	92	46	2	2	4	2	2		4	1	1	50
W. Stockbridge, Cen.	June 4, 1789	Vacant,		31	54	85	16		3	3	1			1		1	96
" Village.	1832	Vacant,		57	63	120											120
Austerlitz, N. Y.	March 21, 1792	Samuel Utley,	June 17, 1848	16	29	45					1	2	13	16			45
Total, 18		11		791	1617	2408	336	49	54	103	47	71	15	133	11	20	2009

Without Pastoral Charge.—John C. Brigham, D. D., Sec. Am. Bible Soc., New York; Josiah W. Turner, Gen. Agent Tract Soc., Portland, Maine; James Bradford, Sheffield; Thomas A. Hall, Lee; Platt T. Holly; David D. Field, D. D., Bancroft Fowler, Noah Sheldon, and Winthrop H. Phelps, Stockbridge; Rufus Pomeroy and Hugh Gibson; Sidney Bryant, Canaan, N. Y.; Nathaniel Lasell; Chester Fitch.

4. BREWSTER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms		Sabbath School
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Chatham,	June 15, 1710	N. S. Dickinson,	Dec. 29, 1852	40	108	148	6	11		11	5	3		8	8	7	175
Dennis, South,	June 16, 1807	I. C. Thacher,	Dec. 21, 1852	41	92	133	10	12	1	13	1		1	2	4	6	180
Eastham,	1676	E. Chace,	April 29, 1853	13	34	47	2	1	1	2	3			3			35
Harwich,	Nov. 12, 1744	M. H. Wilder,	Dec. 10, 1851	35	85	120	13	14	1	15	4	4		8	8	5	150
Hyannis,	Jan. 1854	J. U. Parsons,	Stated supply.	2	10	12			12	12							25
Orleans,	1719	J. White,	June 1, 1841	38	107	145	10	6	1	7	2	1		3	6		275
Provincetown,	1714	O. Myrick,	Feb. 18, 1846	8	32	40			2	2						3	65
Sandwich, Puritan cong. ch.	March 21, 1847	Giles Pease,	Jan. 23, 1850	12	28	40		1		1						1	40
Truro,	Nov. 1, 1711	E. W. Noble,	Dec. 26, 1849	33	70	103	3	1		1	1			1		4	125
" North,	May 22, 1842	S. J. M. Lord,	Stated supply	6	15	21		2		2	1	2		3			40
Wellfleet, 1st cong ch.	1730	George Denham,	May 4, 1853	76	144	220	15	5	1	6		10	1	11	5	5	300
" South,	Dec. 4, 1833	E. Dow,	Aug. 1, 1852	54	85	139	25	5	5	10	3	10		13	1	3	130
Yarmouth,	1639	A. K. Packard,	Dec. 16, 1851	31	99	130	21	4	2	6	1	1		2	1	4	120
" West,	Sept. 30, 1840	J. H. Wells,	March 5, 1851	7	40	47	4		1	1	2	2		4			50
Total, 14		14		396	949	1345	109	62	27	89	23	33	2	58	33	38	1710

Without Pastoral Charge.—Nathaniel Cogswell, Yarmouth; E. Pratt, Brewster; C. Stone, Melrose.

5. BRIDGEWATER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853			Removed 1853.				Baptisms		Sabbath School
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot	Dth	Dis.	Ex.	To	Ad	Inf.	
Bridgewater,—																	
Trin. ch.	Oct. 17, 1821	D. Brigham,	April 23, 1845	32	60	92	10		2	2	3	5		8			130
" Scotland ch.	July 4, 1836	J. D. Farnsworth,	Sept. 1, 1853	8	22	30	5		2	2							30
E. Bridgewater,—																	
Trin. ch	Nov. 14, 1849	B. Sanford,	April 3, 185	16	20	36			1	1	1			1			85
Middleboro', 1st ch.	Dec. 26, 1694	I. W. Putnam, D. D.	Oct. 28, 1835	47	151	198	25	16	4	20	6			6	13		120
" Lakeville,	Oct. 6, 1725	C. Chapman,	Oct. 22, 1851	52	84	136		3		3	3	4	3	10	2		100
Total, 5		5		155	337	492	40	19	9	28	13	9	3	25	15		465

Without Pastoral Charge.—Otis Thompson, North Abington; Ebenezer Gay, and Stetson Raymond, Bridgewater; Enoch Sandford, Raynham.

6. BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D.	Dis	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Brimfield,	1725	Jason Morse,	Dec. 12, 1849	59	161	220	30	0	1	21	5			5	11	2	175
Brookfield,	April 15, 1756	J. K. Bragg,	Sept. 14, 1852	45	94	139	8	2	5	7		1		1		1	120
Charlton,	April, 1760	John Haven,	Pastor elect.	22	63	90	17	5		5	1			1	1	1	125
Dana, Centre,	Sept. 28, 1852	John Keep,	Nov. 15, 1853	5	14	19	2		1	1	1	2		3			60
Dudley,	1732	Vacant,		41	86	127	16										100
Hardwick,	Nov. 17, 1736	Martyn Tupper,	June 23, 1852	27	65	92		1	2	3	1	2		3	1		125
Holland,	Sept. 13, 1765	Vacant,		14	33	47											75
New Braintree,	April 18, 1754	{ John Fiske, D. D. / J. T. Hyde,	Oct 26, 1796 / June 21, 1853	26	78	104	28	1	1	2	6	1		7	5	4	100
North Brookfield,	May 28, 1752	{ Thomas Snell, D. D / C. Cushing,	June 27, 1798 / Sept. 1851	100	211	311	12	20	3	23	5	8		13	9	9	450
Oakham,	Aug. 28, 1767	James Kimball,	Dec. 25, 1832	75	155	230	50	4		4	3	4	1	8		10	250
Southbridge,	Sept. 16, 1801	I. G. Bliss,	Stated supply.	56	147	203	60	1	11	12	4	1	1	6	3	9	200
Spencer,	May 17, 1744	Vacant,		29	75	104	7	6	1	7	5	6		11			175
Sturbridge,	Sept. 29, 1736	H. Beebee,	June 2, 1852	85	201	289	67	1	10	11	3	8		11		2	225
Ware,	May 9, 1751	Vacant,		44	90	134	25										130
" Village,	May 12, 1826	T. G. Colton,	Sept. 3, 1852	66	150	216	39	2	6	8	1	12		13		8	286
Warren,	1743	S. S. Smith,	April 13, 1854	46	114	160	20	15	9	24	1	4		5	8	1	
West Brookfield,	Oct 1717	G Byington,	Nov. 17, 1852	65	117	250	68	8	9	17	4	6		10	4	5	126
Total, 17		16		808	1862	2670	447	86	59	145	40	55	2	97	42	52	2722

Without Pastoral Charge.—L. H. Northrup, Warren; Moses Miller and W. A. Nichols, Chicago, Ill.; Eber Carpenter, Brooklyn, N. Y.

7. ESSEX NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Amesbury, Mills,	Dec. 6, 1831	Vacant,		61	148	209			3	3	3			3			150
" West,	May 19, 1726	Vacant,		53	129	182	24	1	2	3	4	3		7		7	
" and Salisbury,	Oct. 14, 1835	J. M Bacon,	June 25, 1851	19	50	69	5		1	1		2	2	4		2	100
Boxford, West,	Dec. 9, 1732	C. E. Park.	Oct. 14, 1846	28	45	73	2				2			2		1	70
Bradford, 1st ch.	Dec. 27, 1682	J T. McCollom,	Jan. 25, 1854	64	130	194		3	2	5		2		2	3	2	200
Georgetown,	Oct. 4, 1732	{ Isaac Braman, J. M. Prince,	June 7, 1797 Feb. 3, 1847	51	102	153	11		1	1	4	1		5		2	225
Groveland,	June 7, 1728	G. B Perry, D. D. Daniel W. Pickard,	Sept. 28, 1814 Sept. 28, 1853	49	97	146	9	1	2	3		2		2	1		130
Haverhill, Centre,	Aug. 28, 1833	B. F. Hosford,	May 21, 1845	61	117	181	20	4	9	13	3	3		6	2		175
" North,	Nov. 4, 1730	C. Tenney,	Stated supply	19	46	65	14				1			1		1	68
" East,	1743	Wales Lewis,	July 18, 1849	9	18	27	2				1	1		2			40
" West,	Oct. 1735	A. Farwell,	April 21, 1853	38	60	98	22		2	2	4	3		7			140
" Winter-st. ch	May 13, 1839	L S Parkes,	June 1, 1853	37	48	85	5	5	9	14	1			1	3		192
Ipswich, 1st ch.	1634	{ D. T. Kimball, R. Southgate,	Oct 8, 1806 July 24, 1851	*													
" Linebrook,	Nov. 15, 1849	W. Holbrook,	Stated supply.	34	41	75	7				1	1		2			115
Newbury, 1st ch.	June 16, 1635	L. Withington, D. D.	Oct. 31, 1816	40	119	159	12				2			2		2	
" Byfield ch.	Nov. 17, 1706	F. V. Tenney,	March 7, 1850	42	63	105			1	1	4	3		7		3	130
Newburyp't, Belleville	April, 1808	D. T. Fiske,	Aug. 18, 1847	57	119	176	8	2		2	4	2		6		2	190
" North ch.	Jan. 1768	L. F. Dimmick, D. D.	Dec. 8, 1819	67	278	345		1	6	7	6	1		7	1	10	200
" 4th ch.	May 30, 1793	R. Campbell.	Oct. 12, 1837	100	200	300	20	3	4	7	4	3		7		6	178
" Whitefield ch.	Jan. 1, 1850	S. J. Spaulding,	June 30, 1851	27	88	115		2	2	4	5	6		11			
Rowley,	Dec. 4, 1639	John Pike,	Nov 18, 1840	39	102	141		4		4	5	1		6	4		100
Salisbury, Hill,	Nov. 19, 1718	B. Sawyer,	Stated supply.														
W. Newbury, 1st ch.	Oct. 26, 1698	Vacant,															
" 2d ch.	Sept. 1, 1731	Vacant,		37	104	141	10	2		2	3		2	5	2	9	117
Total, 24		23		835	2104	2909	171	28	44	72	57	34	4	96	16	47	2520

Without Pastoral Charge.—N. Munroe, Sec. Am. S. S. Union for N. E., Bradford; J. Q. A. Edgell, Agent for Western Colleges, Andover; J. P. Cowles, Principal of Young Ladies Seminary, Ipswich; R. King; Albert Paine, West Amesbury.

*Reported in Essex South.

8. ESSEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	Dth	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Im.	School.
Beverly, Washington-st. chh.	Feb. 8, 1837	A. B. Rich,	Dec. 8, 1852	33	100	133	3	6	5	11	6			6	2	3	125
Danvers, 2d ch.	Jan. 25, 1713	Vacant,		70	173	243	11				6	1		7		4	230
" 3d ch.	Dec 5, 1844	James Fletcher,	Jan. 20, 1849	23	58	81	8		1	1	1			1	4		230
Essex,	Aug. 12, 1683	R. Crowell, D. D.	Aug. 10, 1814	50	99	149	4	1		1	2			2			144
Gloucester, Harbor,	Nov. 17, 1829	J. S. Hatch,	1854	21	100	121	16				2	2		4			100
" North,	Aug. 25, 1830	Edwin Seabury,		13	27	40					2			2			
" West,	March 23, 1829	Levi Wheaton,	Jan. 23, 1850	10	24	34	7				1		2	3			70
Hamilton,	Oct. 12, 1714	J. H. Mordough,	June 12, 1850	53	103	156		1	2	3	5		1	6		4	150
Ipswich, South,	Aug. 22, 1747	Daniel Fitz,	Jan. 28, 1826	47	162	209		3	1	4	2			2	2	4	150
" 1st ch.	1634	*D T. Kimball, Robert Southgate,	Oct. 8, 1806 July 24, 1851	48	152	200	19	9	3	12	2	1		3	5	5	160
Lynnfield Centre,	1715	U. W. Condit,	Oct. 23, 1850	13	46	59	2	15	5	20		5		5	10		77
Middleton,	Oct. 22, 1729	J. A. Hood,	Jan. 2, 1850	56	125	181	30										100
Rockport,	Feb. 13, 1755	W. Gale,	May, 4, 1836	130	201	331		11		11	9			9	2	9	330
Salem, Crombie-st.	May 3, 1832	J. M. Hoppin,	March 27, 1850	54	177	231		2	3	5	4			4	1	10	150
" Howard-st.	Dec. 29, 1803	E. W. Allen,	Sept. 30, 1852	22	79	101	22	9	8	17	3	4		7	1		175
" Third ch.	Feb. 15, 1775	{ B. Emerson, D. D. { J E. Dwinell,	April 24, 1805 Nov. 22, 1849	98	299	397		16	4	20	4	10	1	15	3	3	455
Total, 16		17		741	1925	2666	122	73	32	105	49	23	4	76	30	42	2586

*A member of Essex North Association.

9. FRANKLIN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Ashfield,	Feb. 22, 1763	Wm. H. Gilbert,	Dec. 3, 1851	68	113	181	10	3	3	6	2	3		5	1	3	250
Bernardston,	Jan. 13, 1824	Charles Kendall,	Jan. 24, 1844	31	38	69	9	3		3	3	2		5	3		65
Buckland,	Oct. 1785	Asa B. Smith,	March 22, 1848	67	115	182	12	2	5	7	7	8		15	1	4	200
Charlemont, East,	Aug. 6, 1845	Aaron Foster,	Feb. 13, 1850	24	55	79	10		1	1	1	1		2			100
" West,	June 6, 1788	Matthew Kingman,	June 6, 1854	32	59	91	9	6	1	7	2	2		4	2		130
Colerain,	1750	Vacant,		9	24	33					1			1			
Conway,	July 14, 1768	George M. Adams,	Sept. 18, 1851	104	221	325	25	4	10	14	10	20	1	31	2	9	300
Deerfield,	June 2, 1835	Alfred E. Ives,	Sept. 5, 1849	26	61	87	2		3	3	1			1			125
" South, 1st ch.	June 30, 1818	Vacant,		26	59	85	12	2	3	5	6			6		2	100
" Monument ch.	Jan. 25. 1848	David A. Strong,	March 21, 1849	27	48	75	5		2	2	3	1		4		4	110
Erving,	Sept. 19, 1832	Vacant,		7	14	21											
Gill,	1793	Josiah W. Canning, Edward F. Brooks,	Sept. 25, 1839 June 25, 1851	7	38	45	2					1		1			50
Greenfield, 1st,	March 28, 1754	A. Chandler, D. D.	Oct. 24, 1832	12	38	50											85
" 2d,	Jan. 15, 1817	Vacant,		66	115	181											
Hawley, East,	Sept. 6, 1793	Henry Seymour,	Oct. 3, 1849	30	59	89	8		1	1	4	2	2	8		3	115
" West,	Aug. 24, 1825	John Eastman,	Nov. 11, 1847	22	36	58	4	2		2		3		3		2	80
Heath,	April 15, 1785	Alpheus Graves,	June 18, 1851	33	81	114		1		1	4			4		4	150
Montague,	1752	James H. Merrill,	Nov. 26, 1839	50	104	154	12	21		21	1	1		2	12	3	200
Northfield,	Nov. 30, 1825	Daniel O. Frost,	Stated supply.	20	36	56	11		1	1	1			1		1	70
Orange,	Sept. 23, 1846	David Peck,	Oct. 13, 1852	25	54	79	6	19	18	37	3	5		8	13	3	125
" North,	Aug. 16, 1843	Vacant,		8	19	27	7	1		1					1	1	30
Rowe,	April 10, 1833	Jeremiah Pomroy,	Stated supply.	8	18	26		2		2		1		1	1		30
Shelburne,	1770	T. Packard, D. D.	Feb. 20, 1799	46	74	120	13		2	2	1	6		7		8	200
" Falls,	March, 6, 1850	Vacant,		32	54	86	16	5	7	12	2	3		5	2		150
Shutesbury,	1740	James Tisdale,	Stated supply.	11	34	45	5		1	1	2			2			60
Sunderland,	1718	Sereno D. Clark,	May 31, 1853	91	127	218	12		6	6	9	2		11		10	200
Warwick,	June 10, 1829	Henry M. Bridge,	Stated supply.	14	36	50	9				2	1		3			
Wendell,	Nov. 30, 1744	S. B. Gilbert,	Stated supply.	20	44	62					1	1		2			60
Total, 28		23		916	1774	2690	199	71	64	135	58	63	3	122	28	57	2985

Without Pastoral Charge.—Samuel Bradford and Eli Moody, Montague; Horatio Flagg, Colerain; John Furguson, Whately; Roger C. Hatch, Warwick; George C. Partridge and Lorenzo L. Longstroth, Greenfield; Lot B. Sullivan, Wendell; John D. Smith, West Charlemont; Samuel Ware, South Deerfield; Benjamin F. Clarke, Amherst.

10. HAMPDEN EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1454.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Chicopee, 1st,	Sept. 27, 1752	E. B. Clark,	Oct. 16, 1839	30	51	81	8				1	4	1	6			70
" 2d,	July 3, 1830	Wm. Wright,	Feb. 25, 1852	39	112	151											180
" 3d,	Oct. 16, 1834	G. A. Oviatt,	Feb. 15, 1850			228		3	12	15	1	11		12		1	240
Longmeadow,	Oct. 17, 1716	J. W. Harding,	Jan. 1, 1850	61	124	185	12		2	2	1			1		2	125
" East,	1831	Vacant,		30	75	105		13	5	18		5		5	7	3	60
Ludlow, 1st ch.	1789	J. W. Tuck,	Sept. 6, 1843	58	90	148	22		2	2	5			5		5	210
" 2d ch.	June 6, 1847	E. B. Wright,	Stated supply.	5	9	14	6										40
Monson,	June 23, 1762	A. Ely, D. D.	Dec. 17, 1806	127	249	376	88	3	1	4	3	3		6		1	200
Palmer, 1st ch.	1730	Vacant,		22	72	94	13	3		3	1			1	2	1	89
" 2d ch.	April 1, 1847	Vacant,		28	59	87											100
South Hadley, 2d ch.	1833	P. H. Snow,	Feb. 1852	58	72	130	12	1	4	5	3	2		5		2	115
Springfield, 1st ch.	May 6, 1645	S. Osgood, D. D.	Jan. 5, 1809	137	275	412											260
" Hill,	1833	H. B. Elliot,	Stated supply.	44	114	158		26	10	36		7		7	7	2	140
" South ch.	March 23, 1842	S. G. Buckingham,	June 16, 1847	97	177	274	28	8	9	17	7	4		11	2	12	200
" North ch.	1846	R. H. Seely,	March 1, 1849	47	87	134	12										168
Wilbraham, North,	June, 1741	J. Bowers,	Dec. 13, 1837	73	125	198	58	1	3	4	3	5		8			123
" South,	1755	E. S. Skinner,	May 19, 1835	28	75	103	6	30	2	32	1	3		4	15	1	110
Total, 17		14		884	1556	2878	265	88	50	138	26	44	1	71	33	30	2430

11. HAMPDEN WEST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot	Ad.	Inf.	School
Blandford,	1735	C. J. Hinsdale,	Jan. 20, 1836	40	85	125	21	11		11	5	1		6	5	1	130
Chester,	1765	David Breed,	Feb. 17, 1853	25	43	68	10				1	2		3		1	70
" Factories,	Nov. 13, 1844			11	20	31											25
" Village,	Aug. 26, 1846	Townsend Walker,	Dec. 27, 1853	21	37	58	5	2	7	9		8		8		4	100
Granville, East,	1747	Timothy. M. Cooley,	Feb. 3, 1796	26	63	89	8	2		2	1			1			100
" West,	1786			24	50	74											94
Holyoke, 1st,	Dec. 4, 1799	Simeon Miller,	May 7, 1846	19	39	58	14		1	1		2		2		2	75
" 2d,	May 24, 1849	Richard Knight,	April 20, 1853	21	32	53	16	4	22	26		3		3	1	1	100
Montgomery,	June 30, 1797			8	16	24											55
Southwick,	Aug. 16, 1773	Vacant,		22	76	98											75
Tolland,	1737	F. D. Austin,	June 28, 1853	32	67	99											50
Westfield,	Aug. 27, 1697	E. Davis, D. D.	June 1, 1836	125	290	415											300
West Springfield,	1698	H. M. Field.	Jan. 30, 1851	80	157	237			1	1	6	4		10		6	250
" Agawam,	Sept. 1, 1819	Ralph Perry,	Dec. 28, 1847	36	76	112		3	2	5	3	6		9	2	1	80
" Feeding Hills,	Nov. 10, 1762	S. D. Ward,	Oct. 18, 1853			86			1	1	1	1		2		1	50.
" Mettineague,	Jan. 10, 1850	Vacant,		13	29	42	20	2	7	9		4		4		1	60
Total, 16		11		503	1080	1669	97	24	41	65	17	31		48	8	18	1614

Without Pastoral Charge.—Henry Cooley, West Springfield; S. W. Bailey.

12. HAMPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Chesterfield,	Oct. 30, 1764	Samuel W. Barnum,	Jan. 25, 1853	16	46	62	7	1	4	5	1	4		5		2	144
Cummington, 1st,	July 7, 1779	James D. Chapman,	June 12, 1844	16	42	75	17	1	1	2	6	6		12		1	100
" Village,		Theodore J. Clark,	Oct. 11, 1842	39	51	90	4	1	1	2	5			5		1	125
" West,	1840	Joseph B. Baldwin,	Sept. 1, 1841	31	52	83	17				1	2		3		2	40
East Hampton, 1st ch.	1787	{ Payson Williston, { A. M. Colton,	Aug. 13, 1789 / March 2, 1853			234		4	5	9	2	5		7	1	5	160
" Payson ch	Dec. 28, 1852	Rollin S. Stone,	Dec. 29, 1852	46	89	135	21	22	24	46	2	9		11	3	5	125
Goshen,	1788	T. H. Rood,	Stated supply.	27	60	87			3	3	1	3		4		5	75
Hatfield,	1670	Jared O. Knapp,	Dec. 11, 1850	99	152	251	29	1	2	3	6	5		11		15	200
Middlefield,	1792	—— Harrington,															
Northampton, 1st,	June 18, 1661	J. P. Cleaveland, D.D	April 20, 1853	186	364	550	10		7	7	12	12		24		10	350
" Edwards ch.	June 29, 1833	Gordon Hall,	June 2, 1852	83	148	231		3	7	10	4	9	1	14		4	250
Norwich,	1781	J. H. M. Leland,	June 13, 1854	63	74	137	20	1	1	2	1	5	1	7	1	1	100
Plainfield,	Aug 13, 1789	Vacant,															
Southampton,	June 8, 1743	Stephen C. Strong,	April 12, 1854	165	180	345	50		3	3	10			10		5	225
West Hampton,	Sept. 1, 1779	Andrew Bigelow,	March 2, 1854	63	104	167	19	4		4	1	2		3		5	200
Whately, 1st,	Aug. 21, 1771	C. N. Seymour,	March 9, 1853	61	84	145		2	11	13	4	5		9		2	140
" 2d,	Nov. 10, 1842	Jonathan S. Judd,	Oct 12, 1843	32	50	82	6	2		2	1	8		9	2	5	75
Williamsburg,	1773	Edward W. Root,	Oct. 23, 1850	98	150	248	30		4	4	4	6		10		8	200
" Haydenville,	March 1, 1851	E. W. Cook,	June 13, 1854														
Worthington,	April 1, 1771	Jonh H. Bisbee,	Dec. 19, 1838	81	132	213	15	3	15	18	8	10		18		9	300
Total, 20		20		1206	1698	3135	245	45	88	133	69	91	2	162	7	85	2809

Without Pastoral Charge.—C. Knight; E. B Wright; M. E. White, Northampton; E. Clapp, S. Lyman, and O. Warner; W. A. Hallock, D. D., New York; H. J. Gaylord, and J. H. Temple.

13. HAMPSHIRE EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Amherst, West,	Nov. 7, 1739	E. S. Dwight,	Pastor elect.	116	231	347			19	19	4	4		8		8	140
" North,	Nov. 15, 1826	G. E. Fisher,	Sept. 16, 1852	90	140	230	8	89	1	90	3	2		5	42	6	125
" East,	Nov. 11, 1782	C. L. Woodworth,	Nov. 7, 1849	50	114	164	10	5	12	17	3	1		4	1	4	200
" South,	Oct. 14, 1824	J. L. Merrick,	Jan. 31, 1849	32	96	128											100
" College ch.	1826	E. Hitchcock, D. D.	April 15, 1845	438	25	463	409	4	8	12		3		4			
Belchertown,	1739	Vacant.		164	160	424	52										300
Enfield,	1790	R. McEwen,	Feb. 16, 1841	144	238	382	42	3	2	5	4	4		8	1	6	250
Granby,	1762	Vacant,		106	189	295											250
Greenwich,	1749	E. P. Blodget,	July 5, 1843	50	103	153		3	1	4		4		4	2	2	
Hadley, 1st par.	1659	R. Ayres,	Jan. 12, 1848	69	119	188	50		1	1	5		2	7		8	220
" 2d par.	1831	W. H. Beaman,	Sept. 5, 1841	40	90	130		20	4	24	3	3		6	7	9	125
" 3d par.	1841	J. Woodbridge, D. D.	Feb. 16, 1842	34	58	92					3	2				3	
South Hadley, 1st par.	1733	E. Y. Swift,	Nov. 3, 1852	80	165	245	54	8		8	5	12		17	2	6	150
" 2d par.	1824	Porter Snow,															
Leverett,	1784	David Eastman,	Feb. 12, 1840	34	67	101	10		4	4	2	1		1		3	100
Pelham,	1837	Vacant,		5	33	38											70
Prescott,	1823	Vacant,		7	32	38	17				3					2	75
Total, 17		13		1459	1860	3417	652	132	42	174	35	36	2	64	55	56	2105

Without Pastoral Charge.—J. W. Curtis, Hadley; G. H. Patrick, G. Sanford, and G. Nash, Amherst; L. Thompson, Woburn.

14. HARMONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Blackstone,	April 15, 1841	J. W. Backus,	Sept. 29, 1852	15	40	55	33	3	6	9		2		2	3	1	100
" Millville,	Nov. 1836	Vacant,															
Douglass,	Nov. 11, 1747	David Holman,	Stated supply.	11	34	45	10				5			5			50
" East,	June 12, 1834	J. L. Maynard,	July 7, 1852	44	84	128	12	1	2	3	1			1		3	200
Grafton,	Dec. 28, 1731	Thomas C. Biscoe,	July 18, 1838	101	186	287	40	3	4	7	3	7		10	2	2	300
Millbury, 1st ch.	Sept. 10, 1747	N. Beach,	Nov. 22, 1837	42	131	173	25	2	3	5	1			1	1	4	150
" 2d ch.	Aug. 23, 1827	Leverett Griggs,	Sept. 22, 1847	89	163	253	33	2		2	4	5		9	1	1	250
" Grass Hill,		Vacant,															
Northbridge,	June 20, 1782	William Bates,	Nov. 5, 1845	35	65	100	15				2			2		2	100
" Whitinsville,	July 31, 1834	Lewis F. Clark,	June 1, 1842	43	100	143	20	6	10	16		3		3	4	3	225
Sutton,	1720	George Lyman,	Nov. 12, 1851	57	128	185	30	1	2	3	4	8		12	1	2	145
Upton,	1735	William Warren,	Nov. 14, 1849	79	182	261	46	6	8	14	3	3		6		3	350
Uxbridge,	Jan. 17, 1731	J. J. Abbott,	April 3, 1850	33	117	150	36		3	3	5	2	1	8		3	239
Webster,	June 16, 1838	S. C. Kendall,	March 29, 1854	42	84	126						1	1	2			
Total, 14		12		591	1314	1906	300	24	38	62	28	31	2	61	12	24	2109

Without Pastoral Charge.—M Burdett, Philadelphia, Pa.; Daniel Butler, Groton; Sidney Holman, West Millbury; C. D. Rice, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

15. MENDON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Dover,	Oct. 23, 1839	J. Haskell,	Dec. 25, 1850	15	24	39	10				1	2		3			40
Foxboro',	Nov. 25, 1779	E Y. Gasette,	1854	33	88	121											200
Franklin,	Feb. 16, 1734	Samuel Hunt,	Dec. 4, 1850	58	138	196		4		4	1	2		3		2	226
Holliston,	Nov. 20, 1728	J. T. Tucker,	June 6, 1849	64	197	261	10	17	8	25	5	3		7	7	4	300
Mansfield,	May 9, 1838	M Blake,	Dec. 4, 1839	30	51	81	15		2	2	2	2		4		3	150
Medfield,	Feb. 7, 1828	T. T. Richmond,	Oct 26, 1842	32	62	94			3	3					3	3	70
Medway, 1st,	1714	John O. Means,	Dec. 3, 1851	34	89	123		1		1	4	1	5	1	7		168
" 2d,	1750	Jacob Ide, D. D.	Nov. 2, 1814	57	121	178	37	2	2	4	6	6	2	14		3	160
" Village,	Sept. 7, 1838	David Sanford,	Oct. 3, 1838	49	132	181	25	7	2	9	1	3		4	5	4	175
Milford,	April 15, 1741	J. T. Woodbury,	July 15, 1852	50	90	140	31	10	6	16		3		3	9	4	250
Walpole,	Nov. 13, 1826	Vacant,		39	111	150	12	1		1	3	1		4		3	140
Wrentham, 1st,	April 13, 1692	W. L. Ropes,	Sept. 14, 1853	57	179	236	51		1	1	4	11		15		3	250
" North,	June 16, 1798	John Dwight,	June 3, 1853	12	24	36	2		5	5	2			2		1	50
Total, 13		12		540	1306	1846	193	42	29	72	29	34	7	58	28	30	2171

Without Pastoral Charge.—Thomas Williams, Providence, R. I.; Calvin Hitchcock, Wrentham; Caleb Kimball, Medway Village; Charles Simmons, North Wrentham; A. H. Reed, Mendon; D. J. Poor, Gorham, Me.; T. D. P. Stone, Norwich, Con.; T. S. Southworth and S. Harding, Auburndale; Edward Pratt, City Missionary, New York.

16. MIDDLESEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	To.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Ashland,	Jan. 1835	Wm. M. Thayer,	June 20, 1849	47	82	129	31				2	4		- 6			230
Concord,	June 5, 1826	L. H. Angier,	Pastor elect.			101		3		3	1	1		+ 2		1	86
Framingham,	Oct. 8, 1771	J. C. Bodwell,	June 1852	60	156	216		3	3	6	2	3		+ 5		6	
Hopkinton,	Sept. 2, 1724	J. C. Webster,	Dec. 19, 1838	54	115	169	15	4	3	7	2	6		- 8	1	2	150
Lincoln,	Aug. 20, 1767	W. C. Jackson,	April 26, 1848	31	59	90	18		2	2				+		3	100
Marlboro',	1666	L. A. Field,	Aug 31, 1853	38	108	146	16	7	6	13	5	3		+ 8	3	9	225
Natick,	Feb. 1802	E. Nason,	May 5, 1842	45	119	164	21	8	7	15	3	4		+ 7	3	11	290
Needham, West,	Sept. 1798	Vacant,		41	98	139	32			12	2	1		+ 3	6	4	75
Saxonville,	May 1, 1836	B. G. Northrup,	March 10, 1847	30	90	123	16		3	3	3	4		- 7		7	150
Sherburne,	March 26, 1685	E. Dowse,	Oct. 10, 1838	67	98	165	22		1	1	1	6		- 7		1	125
Southboro',	Feb. 17, 1731	D. M. Elwood,	Aug. 17, 1853	64	110	174	25	8	3	11	2	1		+ 3	4		275
Sudbury,	Aug. 1640	C. V Spear,	Oct. 27, 1852	60	100	160	14				4	1		- 5		2	140
Wayland,	May 21, 1828	H. Allen,	Sept. 30, 1852	38	66	104	7	1	1	2	1			+ 1		5	120
Total, 13		12		575	1201	1880	217	34	29	75	28	34		62	17	51	1966

Without Pastoral Charge.—I. N. Tarbox, Sec. Am. Ed. Soc., Boston.

17. MIDDLESEX UNION ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Acton,	March 11, 1832	Benjamin Dodge,	Oct. 10, 1852	92	223	315	52	5		5	2	1		3	5	2	150
Ashby,	June 12, 1776	C. W. Wood,	Oct. 30, 1839	62	112	174	25	7	4	11	1	6		7	1	3	165
Boxboro',	April 29, 1724	L. Luce,	Stated supply	20	28	48	15	4		4		2		2	3		50
Dunstable,	May 12, 1757	D. Adams,	Sept. 5, 1850	33	72	105	9	1	1	2		1		1	1	3	100
Fitchburg,	Jan. 27, 1768	G. B Wilcox,	June 15, 1853	112	215	327	39	4	16	20	4	13		17	1	1	350
Groton,	July 13, 1664	E. A. Bulkley,	Sept. 18, 1850	53	140	193	15	8	7	15	5	6		11	3	11	175
Harvard,	Oct. 10, 1733	J. Dodge,	May 10, 1854	40	83	123	22				7	5		12			135
Lancaster,	May 22, 1839	Vacant,		24	59	83	13	6	1	7	3	1		4		2	*100
Leominster,	Dec. 25, 1822	J. S. Bingham,	Dec. 17, 1851	80	161	241	31	16	20	36	3	5		8	4	12	275
Littleton,	May 14, 1840	Vacant,		11	22	33	5				2			2			35
Lunenburg,	June 10, 1835	E. R. Hodgman,	Feb. 18, 1852	33	66	99	11	3	3	6	2	1		3	2	5	130
Pepperell,	June 29, 1747	T Morong,	April 12, 1854	123	169	292	43	1		1	6	6		12	1		187
Shirley,	March 12, 1828	B B. Beardsley,	Stated supply	16	38	54	14	6	6	12		2		2	3		50
Townsend,	Oct. 16, 1734	L. H. Sheldon,	Aug. 4, 1844	90	192	282	39	3	4	7	2	5		7		5	285
Total, 14		12		789	1580	2369	311	64	62	126	37	54		91	24	44	2187

Without Pastoral Charge.—Lyman Cutler.

18. NORFOLK ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853			Removed 1853.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Abington, 1st,	1712	James W. Ward,	May 21, 1834	52	77	129	9	1	3	4	2	2		4		3	175
" 2d,	Aug. 1807	A. Goldsmith,	June, 1853	70	114	184	15	2	10	12	1			1	2	7	135
" 3d,	1813	H. D. Walker,	Feb. 15, 1844	36	89	125	8		3	3	2	3		5			200
" North,	Oct. 1839	Isaac C. White,	Oct. 23, 1850	38	66	104	2				1			1			150
Berkley, Tr. cong. ch.	Sept. 1848	L. R. Eastman,	Stated supply.	13	16	29		1		1	1			1			50
Braintree, 1st,	Sept. 10, 1707	R. S. Storrs, D. D.	July 3, 1811	47	123	170	5		2	2	4	2		6			75
" South,	Nov. 1829	Wm. B. Hammond,	April 18, 1849	26	55	81	9	1	2	3	1	1	2	4	1	8	155
" and Weymouth.	Aug. 14, 1811	Jonas Perkins,	June 14, 1815	59	99	158	25	3		3	1	1		2	1	15	217
Canton,	July 1828	S. Clark,	Nov. 12, 1851	9	25	34	8	1		1	1	1		2		2	80
Cohasset, 2d ch.	Nov. 24, 1824	F. A. Reed,	March 9, 1848	15	81	96	10	7	2	9	2			2	4	2	138
Dedham, South,	June, 1736	M M Colburn,	Oct. 28, 1852	24	56	80	10	8	5	13	2			2	3	2	90
Dorchester, 2d ch.	Jan. 1, 1808	James H. Means,	July 13, 1848	69	221	290	54	4		4	10	6		16		8	175
" Village,	March, 1829	D. T. Noyes,	Feb. 16, 1853	47	142	189		17	4	21	5	3		8	3	5	134
E. & W. Bridgewater.	1826	P. B. Wilcox,	May 11, 1851	53	62	115	9	2		2			1	1	1		150
Easton,	1711	L. Sheldon, D. D.	Oct. 24, 1810	36	82	118	20										125
Hanover,	Dec. 1728	Vacant,		27	62	89	7	10	7	17	1			1	5	5	125
" Four Corners	April 12, 1854	Vacant,															
Hanson,	Sept. 1749	S. L. Rockwood,	March 11, 1840	13	52	65	4					1		1			120
Hingham, Evang. ch.	Dec. 21, 1847	E. Porter Dyer,	Jan. 4, 1849	7	13	20	6	1		1		2		2	1	1	50
Milton, 1st ch.	1678	Albert K. Teele,	Dec. 18, 1850	34	81	117	15										70
" Railway,	Nov. 1843	E. Leonard,	March 25, 1852	9	26	35	2	3	1	4					1	2	115
North Bridgewater,	1736	Paul Couch,	Oct. 7, 1835														
" Porter Ev. ch.	March, 6, 1850	C. L. Mills,	Aug. 11, 1852	65	118	183	2	20	17	37	4			4	11		175
" South ch.	Dec. 1836	E. H. Bonney,	Stated supply.	35	52	87	6	3		3	1			1	3	1	100
Quincy,	Aug. 1832	Nelson Clark,	Jan. 2, 1850	27	78	105	27	3	2	5	3	2		5	4	3	155
Randolph,	May, 1731	C. M. Cordley,	March 3, 1852	45	83	128	5	2	1	3	4			4	2		124
" East,	Dec. 15, 1818	E. Russell,	May 8, 1850	47	103	150		21	1	22	7			7	10	7	220
Scituate, North,	Jan. 18, 1634	Daniel Wight, Jr.	Sept. 28, 1842	28	51	79	6	3		3	2	3		5	3	2	140
Sharon,	May 20, 1741	L. R. Phillips,	July 29, 1841	25	78	103	3	1	2	3	2			2		6	110
Stoughton, 1st ch.	Aug. 10, 1744	Albert Perry,	Jan. 8, 1851	29	55	84	13	1	7	8		3		3			150
Weymouth, North, 1st	1635	Joshua Emery, Jr.	Jan 25, 1838	50	88	138			1	1	2	2	1	5			187
" South, 2d	1723	James P. Terry,	July 6, 1848	20	62	82		4		4	1	1		2	3	3	177
" Union ch.	1842	Willard M. Harding,	Nov. 1, 1847	23	57	80	2	3	1	4	1			1	3	2	180
" North, Pilgrim c.	March 11, 1852	Calvin Terry,	May 18, 1852	18	43	61		4	4	8	1			1	4	4	120
Total, 34		30		1194	2410	3808	282	126	75	201	62	33	4	99	65	88	4367

Without Pastoral Charge.—D. Powers, South Abington; Willard Pierce, Abington; A. G. Duncan, Hanover; Daniel Huntington.

19. OLD COLONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Dartmouth, South,	1807	Wm. A. Mandell,	Nov. 11, 1846	26	76	102	26	3		3	2	2		4	3	3	90
Fairhaven,	1794	Vacant,		61	120	181	26					1		1		4	220
Marion,	1686	Leander Cobb,	Dec. 4, 1841	16	38	54											65
Middleboro', Central,	March 25, 1847	Wm. C. Dickinson,	April 12, 1854	38	71	109		2	3	5	2			2			122
Nantucket,	1767	B. Judkins,	April 1, 1851	73	281	354		12		12	2	10		12	7		300
New Bedford, 1st ch.	1696	D. C. Burt,	July 1, 1835	18	44	62	12	1	2	3						1	80
" North,	Oct. 15, 1807	A. Eldridge,	Sept. 15, 1847	89	193	282			3	3	5	3		8		4	225
" Trinit.	Nov. 1830	Wheelock Craig,	Dec 4, 1850	48	106	154	45	9		9	5	5		10		5	107
" Pacific,	Oct 8, 1844	Timothy Stowe,	April 11, 1854	20	42	62	6	1	7	8	1			1		4	205
Rochester, Centre,	1686	E. W. Harrington,	June 19, 1850	18	78	96	13				3	1		4			100
" Mattapoisett,	1740	Wm. L. Mather,	Jan. 29, 1851	45	92	137			1	1	3	7		10		8	100
" North,	1758	Isaac Briggs,	1836														
Wareham,	1739	Homer Barrows,	Oct. 27, 1852	26	70	96	20	2	7	9	4			4		7	80
Total, 13		12		478	1211	1689	148	30	23	53	27	29		56	10	36	1604

Without Pastoral Charge.—William Gould, Fairhaven; Samuel Nott, Jr., Wareham; J. A. Roberts, Woodstock, Ct.; Samuel Beane, Little Compton, R. I. Nathaniel Cobb, New Bedford.

20. PILGRIM ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Carver,	1733	Vacant,		29	59	88	4	2		2	1	2		3		1	75
Halifax,	Oct. 16, 1734	Edward P Kimball,	Dec. 8, 1852	17	30	47	1		2	2		1		1		1	70
Kingston,	March 19, 1828	Joseph Peckham,	Nov. 3, 1842	24	65	89	7	8		8					5	4	70
Marshfield, North,	July 4, 1835	Vacant,		13	19	32	1				3	1		4		2	85
" South,	1632	Ebenezer Alden, Jr.	Oct. 30, 1850	22	39	61	2	1		1	1			1	1	4	102
Plymouth, South,	Nov. 8, 1735	Daniel H. Babcock,	June 16, 1853	50	69	119	25	2	3	5	2	5	1	8	1	1	75
" Village,	Oct. 1, 1801	Vacant,		36	86	122	14	18	3	21	2	4		6	11	4	185
" Chiltonville,	June 18, 1815	Vacant,				98										2	
Plympton,	Oct. 27, 1698	Charles Livingston,	Oct. 15, 1851	26	61	87	7	4		4	3	1		3	4	1	100
Total, 9		5		217	428	743	61	35	8	43	12	14	1	26	22	20	762

Without Pastoral Charge.—Timothy Davis, Kingston; Stillman Pratt, Carver.

21. SALEM ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School
Beverly, Dane-st.	Nov. 9, 1802	Joseph Abbott,	Oct. 23, 1834														
" 4th ch.	Sept. 1, 1834	Vacant,		5	17	22											75
Boxford, 1st ch.	1702	Wm. S. Coggin,	May 9, 1836	20	62	82			2	2	2			2	5	5	140
Danvers, 1st ch.	Nov. 16, 1689	M. P. Braman, D. D.	April 12, 1826	47	90	137											200
Lynn, 1st ch.	June, 1632	Parsons Cook, D. D.	May, 4, 1836	61	260	321		6	3	9	1	1		2	2	4	
" Central,	Dec. 11, 1850	A. R. Baker,	Dec. 11, 1851	24	53	77		3	1	4	1			1		3	150
South Lynnfield,	1853	A. P. Chute,	Stated supply.	3	11	14											
Marblehead,	Oct. 13, 1684	E. A. Lawrence,	April 23, 1845	72	262	334		4	4	8	7			7		5	225
Salem, Tabernacle ch	April, 1735	S. M. Worcester, D.D	Dec. 3, 1834	78	328	406	20	4	6	10	6	4		10	1	18	425
Saugus,	1732	L. Brigham,	May 7, 1851	12	18	30	7		1	1	1			1		4	95
Swampscott,	July 15, 1846	J. B. Clark,		10	22	32											175
Topsfield,	1663	A. McLoud,	Dec 8, 1841	51	111	162		10	2	12	5			5	7		175
Wenham,	Oct. 8, 1644	J. Taylor,	Oct. 27, 1847	42	82	124					1		2	3		3	180
Total, 13		12		425	1316	1761	27	27	19	56	24	5	2	31	15	42	1840

Without Pastoral Charge.—Joseph Tracy, Beverly.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Boston, Old South ch.	May, 1669	G. W. Blagden, D. D.	Sept. 28, 1836	82													200
" Bowdoin-st.	July 18, 1825	J. B. Waterbury, D.D.	Sept. 1846	133	310	443											250
" Central ch.	Dec. 1841	George Richards,	Oct 8, 1845	139	300	439		4	8	12		29		29			372
Cambridge, 1st ch.	Feb. 1, 1636	J. A. Albro, D. D.	April 15, 1835	78	199	277		16	5	21	2	3		5			200
Cambridgeport, 1st ch.	Sept. 20, 1827	W. A. Stearns, D. D.	Dec. 14, 1831	88	200	288											250
Cambridge East,	Sept. 8, 1842	Joseph L. Bennett,	July 1, 1852	40	75	115											115
Charlestown, 1st ch.	Nov. 2, 1632	W. I. Budington,	April 22, 1840	64	195	259		8	11	19	8	8		16	1	10	320
" Winthrop ch	Jan. 9, 1833	Benjamin Tappan, Jr.	Oct. 4, 1848	112	245	357		8	17	25	7	7		14	4	5	560
Chelsea, Winnisimmet	Sept. 20, 1841	I. P. Langworthy,	Nov. 10, 1841	76	156	232	52	12	36	48	6	6	2	14	5	11	330
" Broadway ch,	April 2, 1851	J. A. Copp,	Jan. 7, 1852			123					2			2			400
Malden, 1st ch.	March, 1649	A. C. Adams,	July 29, 1852	32	73	105	17	4	13	17	1			1	3	4	150
" South,	March 16, 1848	F. G. Pratt,	Oct. 18, 1849	16	40	56											138
Medford, Mystic ch.	July 6, 1847	A. B. Warner,	Oct. 27, 1847	33	86	119											140
Needham, Grantville,	Feb. 24, 1847	W. Barrows,	Aug. 22, 1850	21	31	52				6	7			8	1	4	70
Newton, 1st ch.	July 20, 1664	D. L. Furber,	Dec. 1, 1847	32	74	106	5	2	1	3	2	2		4	1	3	100
" 2d ch.	Oct. 2, 1781	L. Gilbert, D. D.	July 2, 1828	41	72	113											90
" Eliot ch.	July 1, 1845	W. S. Leavitt,	Dec. 3, 1845	37	74	111											160
" Auburndale ch.	Nov. 14, 1850	Vacant,															
North Chelsea,	May 24, 1828	Vacant,		6	10	16											50
Waltham, Tr. cong. ch.	Sept. 28, 1820	John Whitney,	Nov. 8, 1837														
Total, 20		18		1026	2140	3311	74	54	141	151	29	55	2	91	15	37	4015

Without Pastoral Charge—E. A. Park, D. D., Andover; R. Anderson, D. D., G. C. Beckwith, D. D., S. Bliss, A. Bullard, D. Clark, W. M. Cornell, W. Jenks, D. D., S. L. Pomeroy, D. D., Boston; H. Winslow, New York; W. Bushnell, Newton; J. Curtis, Charlestown.

These returns were sent in *very incomplete.*

23. SUFFOLK SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Boston, Park-st. ch.	Feb. 27, 1809	A. L. Stone,	Jan 25, 1849	199	455	654	75	25	40	65	5	9		14	5	23	325
" Essex-st.	Aug. 26, 1822	N. Adams, D. D.	March 26, 1834	138	341	479		13	20	33	3	20		23	2	10	250
" Salem-st.	Sept. 2, 1827	E. Beecher, D. D.	March 13, 1844	162	330	492		7	4	11	7	20		27			
" Pine-st.	Sept. 2, 1827	H. M. Dexter,	April 18, 1849	78	172	250	20	4	12	16	4	13		17		11	400
" Mariners' ch.	Jan. 20, 1830	Vacant,		15	42	57											125
" Mt. Vernon,	June 1, 1842	E. N. Kirk,	June 1, 1842	212	423	635		28	38	66	10	24		34	12	19	363
" Shawmut,	Nov. 20, 1845	Charles Smith,	Dec. 8, 1853	43	85	128	31			18	3	9		12		1	325
" Phillips ch.	Dec 10, 1823	Vacant,		79	165	244		3	1	4	5	6		11	1	5	265
" Maverick,	May 31, 1836	R. W. Clark,	Dec. 3, 1851	84	199	283		11	17	28	2	3	2	7	5	12	450
Brighton, Evang. ch.	Sept. 13, 1827	A Swazey,	Oct. 6, 1847	40	90	130			4	4		6		6			120
Brookline, Harvard ch.	Aug. 26, 1844	M. M. Smith,	June 5, 1851	39	61	100		4	9	13	2	1		3		6	93
Roxbury, Eliot ch.	Sept. 18, 1834	A. C. Thompson,	July 22, 1842	97	192	289		14	17	31	4	21		25	5	13	347
" Evang. ch.	June 11, 1835	T. Laurie,	May 7, 1851	23	49	72	9	3	9	12	1	6	1	8		3	
Jamaica Plain,— Mather ch.	Feb. 15, 1853	A H. Quint,	Dec. 27, 1853	13	19	32		3	29	32							76
Total, 14		12		1222	2523	4015	135	115	200	315	46	138	3	187	29	102	3139

Without Pastoral Charge.—Selah B. Treat, Sec. A. B. C. F. M.; J. S. Clark, D. D, Sec. Mass. Home Miss. Soc.; S. H. Riddell, Editor, J. E. Woodbridge, Editor, and Lyman Beecher, D. D., Boston; C. Marsh, West Roxbury; Austin Phelps, Prof. Theol. Sem., Andover; G. H. Hastings, Missionary, Rome, Italy.

24. TAUNTON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Ex	Tot	Ad.	Inf.	
Attleboro', 1st ch. S'th	Nov. 12, 1737	S. B. Morley,	July 1, 1851	26	56	82	14	1		1	4	1		5			75
" 2d ch.	Nov. 30, 1748	Vacant,		54	173	227	30	2	2	4	9	9		18	1	9	300
Berkley, Cong. ch.	Dec. 2, 1737	*John D. Smith,	Stated supply	46	84	130						5		5			129
Dighton,		1710	E. Newton, Jr	Stated supply.	17	31	48	7				4			4		5	50
East Taunton,	June 16, 1853	*James R. Cushing,	Stated supply.	5	9	14		3	11	14					1	2	80
Fall River, Central ch	Nov. 16, 1842	Eli Thurston,	March 21, 1849	69	122	191	12	3	10	13	5	6	2	13	1	1	243
Freetown,		1809	*John E. Corey,	Stated supply.	8	18	26	3				3	1		4			50
Middleboro', North,	Feb. 4, 1748	T. E. Bliss,	June 2, 1852	35	80	115	12	18	4	22	4	4	9	17	16		165
Norton,	April 3, 1832	Franklin Holmes,	Sept. 15, 1852	47	85	132	31	7	11	18	1	6		7	5	2	170
Pawtucket,	April 17, 1829	C. Blodgett,	July 27, 1836	54	182	236	60		2	2	1	9	1	11		8	280
Raynham,	Oct. 19, 1731	Robert Carver,	Dec. 1, 1847	42	94	136	49	2	3	5	3			3	2	1	180
Rehoboth,	Nov. 29, 1721	C. P. Grosvenor,	Stated supply.	18	68	86	6		1	1	2	1		3		1	126
Seekonk,		1644	James O. Barney,	Stated supply	25	54	79	15				2	1		3			86
Taunton, 1st ch.		1637	Alvan Cobb,	April 19, 1815	30	70	100	21										100
" Trin. cong. ch	Aug. 17, 1821	E. Maltby,	Jan. 18, 1826	107	258	365	53		11	11	3	6		9		6	320
" Winslow ch.	Jan. 12, 1837	S. H. Emery,	Nov. 23, 1837	61	112	173	35	6	10	16	1			1	3	11	200
Total, 16		15		614	1496	2140	351	42	65	107	42	49	12	103	29	46	2545

Without Pastoral Charge.—Jonathan Crane, New York; N. Richardson, East Taunton; S. Woodbury, Brooklyn, N. Y.

*Not members of the Association.

25. VINEYARD SOUND ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Barnstable, West,	1634	H. Carlton,	Stated supply.	22	39	61											75
" Centreville,	1825	E. Bacon,	May 23, 1840	29	54	83											70
Chilmark,	1715	N. Cobb,	Occa. supply.	2	19	21											
Falmouth, 1st ch.	1718	H. B. Hooker,	Feb. 1837	64	171	235		6		6	3	4		7		2	230
" East,	1821	A. C. Childs,	May 18, 1853	19	33	52		7	1	8					2	5	50
" North,	1833	Cyrus Mann,	Stated supply.	42	59	101	12	3	2	5	2			2	2	1	42
" East, 2d,	1849	H. Pratt,	Stated supply.	14	40	54		4		4	1			1	4	12	62
Cotuit & Herring Pond	1670	P. Fish,	Sept. 1811	4	21	25											25
Sandwich,	1638	Vacant,		35	70	105											120
" Monument,	1833	Vacant,		12	32	44											
Tisbury, Holmes Hole	1844	W. H. Sturtevant,	Nov. 1853	4	16	20											53
" West,	1673	S Cole,	Stated supply.	16	34	50					4					1	72
Total, 12		11		263	588	851	12	20	3	23	10	4		10	8	20	799

Without Pastoral Charge.—A. Cobb, Sandwich—now supplying at Little Compton, R. I.

26. WOBURN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Bedford,	July 15, 1730	H. J. Patrick,	Stated supply.	40	110	150					2	6		8		4	120
Billerica,	April 30, 1821	J. G. D. Stearns,	May 10, 1843	12	45	57	20	2		2		1		1	2		60
Burlington,	Oct. 29, 1735	Vacant,		20	35	55	10	2	2	4	1			1	2	1	50
Carlisle,	Feb. 28, 1781	J. Lawrence,	May 5, 1853	14	44	58	6	7	7	14	2	1		3	4		90
Medford, 2d ch.	Oct. 2, 1823	E. P. Marvin,	Feb. 25, 1852	47	97	144	23	5	1	6	1	6		7	2	7	177
Melrose,	July 11, 1848	A. J. Sessions,	Jan. 12, 1854	9	14	23	1		4	4							50
North Reading,	June 29, 1720	T. N. Jones,	1853	20	48	68		1	4	5							150
" Old South,	Feb. 21, 1771	L. Whiting,	Jan. 1, 1851	48	91	139	9	9	11	20	4	1		5	2	8	140
" Bethesda ch.	April 17, 1849	W. H. Beecher,	Sept. 14, 1853	55	96	151	11	11	6	17	5	2		7	4	6	292
South Reading,	Nov. 5, 1645	J. D. Hull,	Dec. 27, 1853	48	86	134	10	2	1	3					1	3	160
Stoneham,	July 2, 1729	W. C. Whitcomb,	May 1, 1850	42	100	142	30	17	7	24	3	1	2	6	5	1	225
West Cambridge,	Dec. 14, 1842	Vacant,		31	68	99	15		4	4		1		1		3	
Wilmington,	Oct. 24, 1733	J. E. Swallow,	March 26, 1851	30	75	105	15	3		3	7		2	9	3		100
Winchester,	Nov. 19, 1842	R. I. Robinson,	Oct. 27, 1852	68	125	193	12	2	10	12	7			9	2	4	268
Woburn, 1st ch.	Aug. 14, 1642	Jonathan Edwards,	Sept. 7, 1848	150	300	450	60	4	19	23	8	9		17	3	5	250
" North,	Nov. 22, 1649	G. T. Dole,	Oct. 12, 1852	14	38	52	2	2	1	3							80
Total, 16		14		648	1372	2020	224	67	77	144	40	30	4	64	30	42	2232

Without Pastoral Charge.—E. W. Clark and Samuel Sewall, Burlington; H. G. Park; George Gannett and Francis Horton, West Cambridge.

27. WORCESTER CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absen	Prof	Let.	Tot.	Dis.	Dis.	Ex	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Auburn,	Jan. 25, 1776	L. I. Hoadley,	May 17, 1854	49	101	150	11										150
Barre,	Aug 15, 1827	C. M. Nickels,	May 7, 1851	60	141	201		7	7	14	2	4	3	9	2	4	160
Berlin,	April 7, 1779	W. A. Houghton,	Oct 26, 1853	43	80	123	22	2		2	1	1		2		3	130
Boylston,	Oct 6, 1743	Wm. H. Sanford,	Oct. 17, 1832	48	83	131	16	2		2	1	2		3	1	1	150
Clinton,	Nov 14, 1844	W. W. Winchester,	March 23, 1851	58	119	177	33	9	10	19	3	2		5	3	1	300
Holden,	Dec. 22, 1742	Wm. P. Paine,	Oct. 24, 1833	106	230	336	40		3	3	1	6	1	8			200
Leicester,	March, 1721	John Nelson, D D. / A. C. Denison,	March 4, 1812 / March 4, 1851	79	143	222	10	6	2	8	3	6		9	2	4	250
Northboro',	April 12, 1832	S. S. Ashley,	June 16, 1852	25	76	101	21	10	5	15	1	3		4	5	3	150
Oxford,	Jan. 18, 1721	Horatio Bardwell,	June 8, 1836	65	146	211	30				4	1	1	6		1	155
Paxton,	Sept. 3, 1767	Wm. Phipps,	Nov. 11, 1840	31	75	106	6		1	1	3	2		5		4	145
Princeton,	Oct. 12, 1764	H. Wickes,	June 16, 1852	45	81	126	22	5	3	8	1	2	1	4	3		100
Rutland,	Nov. 1, 1727	—— Davis,	Stated supply.	76	145	221	42	33	11	44	1	5		6	25		200
Shrewsbury,	Dec. 4, 1723	N. W. Williams,	Feb. 28, 1849	91	165	256	40	2	1	3	11	3		14	2		250
Sterling,	June 8, 1852	Charles Lothrop,	Stated supply	13	25	38	3		1	1	1			1			70
Westboro',	Oct. 28, 1724	Daniel R. Cady,	Dec. 4, 1849	121	254	375	41	11	7	18	8	20		28	5	2	330
West Boylston,	Sept. 15, 1796	Joseph W. Cross,	March 11. 1840	78	178	256	30	11	2	13	3	1		4	8	5	250
Worcester, 1st par.		Horace James,	Feb. 3, 1853	127	236	363	58	2	18	20	5	15		20		4	467
" Calvinist,	Aug. 16, 1820	Seth Sweetser, D. D.	Dec. 19, 1838	107	228	335	44	4	9	13	3	7		10	3		250
" Union,	Feb. 3, 1836	Vacant,		165	274	439	46	3	17	20	8	7		15	2	4	400
" Salem-st.	June 15, 1848	George Bushnell,	Dec. 13, 1848	66	112	178	12	2	17	19	4	7		11	2	6	200
Total, 20		20		1453	2895	4348	536	109	114	223	64	94	6	164	63	42	4307

Without Pastoral Charge.—Rodney A. Miller, Worcester; Henry B. Holmes, Agent of Am. Tract Society, Andover; Isaac R. Worcester, Dist. Sec. A. B. C. F. M., Auburndale; M. G. Pratt, Agent Am. Col. Soc., Andover; G. L. Hovey, Agent Am. and For. Ch. Union, Boston; P. Cummings, Leicester.

28. WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.				Admitted 1853.			Removed 1853.				Baptisms		Sabbath School
				Males.	Fem.	Total	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	Death	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Ashburnham,	April, 1760	F. A. Fiske,	Dec. 30, 1851														
" North,	1813	J. W. Brown,	Stated supply.	23	27	50	13		1	1	1	3		4		1	65
Athol,	Sept. 1750	J. F. Norton,	March 17, 1852	47	91	138	9		3	3	3	6		9			160
Gardner, 1st,	Sept. 1786	J. C. Paine,	Jan. 1848	26	40	66		4		4					2		140
" Evan. ch.	1826	A. Stowell,	Stated supply.	53	85	138	29	1		1	1	2		3	1	1	200
Hubbardston,	Feb. 14, 5770	C. W. Allen,	Dec. 29, 1852	43	105	148	30	3	2	5	2	5		7		8	130
New Salem,	Aug. 1845	W. H. Hayward,	Aug. 23, 1848	7	24	31	3	2	3	5					2		60
Petersham,	Dec. 1830	A. B. Foster,	May 12, 1853														
Phillipston,	Nov. 16, 1785	A. E. P. Perkins,	Sept. 18, 1841	59	127	186	40	4		4	2	1		3	1	8	
Royalston, 1st ch.	Oct. 13, 1766	E. W. Bullard,	Sept. 2, 1853	42	91	133	10	21	3	24		2		2	10	2	200
" South,	Feb. 22, 1837	George Goodyear,	Dec. 19, 1849	25	42	67	16		2	2	3	1		4			100
Templeton,	April 11, 1832	Lewis Sabin,	Sept. 21, 1837	38	88	126	18	4	4	8	2	3	1	6	2	6	160
Westminster,	Oct. 20, 1744	O. H. White,	Aug. 21, 1851	92	210	302		6		6	7	7		14		3	190
Winchendon, 1st ch.	Dec. 15, 1762	John Storrs,	Aug. 22, 1849	30	66	96	21				3	5	2	10			60
" North,	Dec. 7, 1843	A. P. Marvin,	Jan. 10, 1844	39	94	133	11	2	2	4	1	1		2		4	150
Total, 15		14		524	1030	1614	209	47	20	67	25	36	3	64	18	33	1615

Without Pastoral Charge.—Ebenezer Perkins, Royalston; J. D. Crosby, Ashburnham.

SUMMARY.

Associations.	Chs.	Pastors.	Stated supplies.	Vacant chhs.	Ministers without charge.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1854.			Admissions in 1853.			Removals in 1853.				Baptisms.		Sab. Sch.
						Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Total.	Death.	Dis.	Ex.	Total.	Adults	Infants	
Andover,	18	13	2	3	11	848	2281	3129	445	90	89	179	28	64		92	36	51	2724
Berkshire North,	17	14	2	2	11	843	1380	2323	284	78	61	129	41	87	8	130	20	50	1839
Berkshire South,	18	9	1	6	14	791	1617	2408	336	49	54	103	47	71	15	133	11	20	2009
Brewster,	14	12	2	7	3	396	949	1345	109	62	27	89	23	33	2	58	33	38	1710
Bridgewater,	5	5			4	155	337	492	40	19	9	28	13	9	3	25	15		465
Brookfield,	17	15	1	4	4	808	1862	2670	447	86	59	145	40	55	2	97	42	52	2722
Essex North,	24	20	3	4	5	835	2104	2909	171	28	44	72	57	34	4	96	16	47	2520
Essex South,	16	17		1		741	1925	2666	122	73	32	105	49	23	4	76	30	42	2586
Franklin,	28	23	5	6	11	916	1774	2690	199	71	64	135	56	63	3	122	28	57	2985
Hampden East,	17	12	2			884	1850	2878	265	88	50	138	26	44		71	33	30	2430
Hampden West,	16	11		2	2	503	1080	1669	97	24	41	65	17	31		48	8	18	1614
Hampshire,	20	19	1	1	9	1206	1698	3135	245	45	88	133	69	91	2	162	7	85	2809
Hampshire East,	17	13		4	5	1459	1860	3417	652	132	42	174	35	36	2	64	55	56	2105
Harmony,	14	11	1	2	4	591	1314	1906	300	24	38	62	28	31	2	61	12	24	2109
Mendon,	14	12		1	10	540	1306	1846	193	42	29	72	29	34	7	58	28	30	2171
Middlesex South,	13	12		1	1	575	1201	1880	217	34	29	75	28	34		62	17	51	1966
Middlesex Union,	14	10	2	2	1	789	1580	2369	311	64	62	126	37	54		91	24	44	2187
Norfolk,	34	30	2	3	4	1194	2410	3808	282	126	75	201	62	33	4	99	65	88	4367
Old Colony,	13	12		1	5	478	1211	1689	148	30	23	53	27	29		56	10	36	1604
Pilgrim,	9	5		4	2	217	428	743	61	35	8	43	12	14	1	26	22	20	762
Salem,	13	11	1	1	1	425	1316	1761	27	27	19	56	24	5	2	31	15	42	1840
Suffolk North,	20	18		2	12	1026	2140	3311	74	54	141	151	29	55	2	91	15	37	4015
Suffolk South,	14	12		2	8	1222	2523	4015	135	115	200	315	46	138	3	187	29	102	3139
Taunton,	16	9	6	1	3	644	1496	2140	351	42	65	101	42	49	12	103	29	46	2545
Vineyard Sound,	12	6	5	1	1	263	588	851	12	20	3	23		4			8	20	799
Woburn,	16	13	1	2	5	648	1372	2020	224	67	77	144	40	30	4	64	30	42	2232
Worcester Central,	20	18	2	1	6	1453	2895	4348	536	109	114	223	64	94	6	164	63	42	4307
Worcester North,	15	12	2		2	530	1090	1614	200	47	20	67	25	26	3	64	18	33	1615
Total, 28	451	358	41	63	144	21,980	43,487	66,062	6,513	1,681	2,063	3,214	974	1,151	91	1,321	719	1,203	58,336

THE STATISTICAL TABLES.

It is a melancholy fact, that no efforts or appeals can induce the pastors to send in full and correct returns from their churches. Many of the preceding tables were sent to me in a very imperfect state. Some had not returns from more than half the churches, and one did not contain even the names of five of the churches and pastors. Circulars were sent out to delinquent pastors, and returns have been received from *only one third of them*, and some of these came in too late for insertion. If the Association desire to have the tables full, more efficient measures must be adopted to secure prompt and correct returns from all the churches.

R. W. CLARK, *Chairman of Pub. Com.*

SCRIBES OR REGISTERS OF THE SEVERAL ASSOCIATIONS.

General Association,	E. Davis, D. D., *Westfield.*
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Berkshire North,	Robert Crawford, *North Adams.*
Berkshire South,	A. H. Dasheill, *Stockbridge.*
Brewster,	A. K. Packard, *Yarmouth.*
Bridgewater,	Baalis Sanford, *East Bridgewater.*
Brookfield,	J. C. Morse, *Brimfield.*
Essex North,	D. T. Kimball, *Ipswich.*
Essex South,	James Fletcher, *North Danvers.*
Franklin,	Theophilus Packard, Jr., *Shelburne.*
Hampden East,	E. B. Clark, *Chickopee.*
Hampden West,	E. Davis, D. D., *Westfield.*
Hampshire,	J. S. Judd, *Whately.*
Hampshire East,	G. E. Fisher, *North Amherst.*
Harmony,	George Lyman, *Sutton.*
Mendon,	Thomas T. Richmond, *Medfield.*
Middlesex South,	Levi A. Field, *Marlboro'.*
Middlesex Union,	Edwin A. Buckley, *Groton.*
Norfolk,	Samuel L. Rockwood, *Hanson.*
Old Colony,	William A. Mandell, *South Dartmouth.*
Pilgrim,	Ebenezer Alden, Jr., *Marshfield.*
Salem,	Allen Gannett, *Beverly.*
Suffolk North,	F. G. Pratt, *South Malden.*
Suffolk South,	A. L. Stone, *Boston.*
Taunton,	Franklin Holmes, *Norton.*
Vineyard Sound,	A. Cobb, *Sandwich.*
Woburn,	R. T. Robinson, *Winchester.*
Worcester Central,	George Bushnell, *Worcester.*
Worcester North,	John C. Paine, Gardner.

RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

1. The Association, by which the General Association of Massachusetts was originally organized, agreed to admit, and this Association continue to admit, as articles of faith, the doctrines of Christianity, as they are generally expressed in the Assembly's Shorter Catechism; and the above-mentioned doctrines, understood by us to be distinctly those, which from the beginning, have been embraced by the churches of New England as the doctrines of the Gospel, are considered as the basis of our union.

2. This General Association is founded on the principles of Congregationalism, and wholly disclaims ecclesiastical jurisdiction over the churches, or the opinions of individuals. Its object is to promote brotherly harmony and intercourse among the ministers of Christ;—to obtain religious information relative to the state of their churches, and of the christian church in this country, and throughout the world;—and to co-operate with one another, and with other ecclesiastical bodies, in the most eligible measures for advancing the cause of truth and holiness.

3. Each District Association in Massachusetts, consenting to the principles of this Union, as stated in the first article, may appoint two delegates annually, to compose this General Association: and it is recommended, that one be appointed, who attended the preceding year.

4. The time of the annual meeting of this Association, shall be on the fourth Tuesday of June, at five o'clock, P. M., at such place, as shall have been duly notified.

5. Seven members, delegated from the particular Associations of Massachusetts, shall be requisite to form a quorum for transacting any business; but for opening and adjourning the meeting, a less number shall be competent.

6. The secretary, and the minister of the church where the Association meet, shall have seats, and act as members; the Associations to which they belong retaining the right to elect their number of Delegates in addition.

7. The minister of the church in the place where the Association meets, or the secretary, may call the Association to order, and preside in the meeting until the Association shall be properly organized.

8. The certificates of the delegates present shall be read by the Secretary, or by a temporary Scribe; and the Association shall then be organized by the choice of a Moderator, a Scribe, and, if necessary, an assistant Scribe, by ballot. The Rules of the Association shall also be read, and the Moderator shall open the business with prayer.

9. At the opening of the session on each subsequent day, the Moderator shall take the chair at the hour to which the Association stands adjourned; shall immediately call the members to order; direct the roll to be called; shall open the meeting with prayer, and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read; and the session of each day shall be closed with prayer.

10. At each meeting of the Association, a Committee of Arrangements, consisting of three, shall be appointed by nomination, to prepare the business of the session; and no business shall be introduced during the session, but through the hands, and with the approbation of the Committee. But if said Committee decline presenting any item of business proposed by any member, he shall have the privilege of appeal to the Association.

11. Every motion, on being seconded, shall, if requested by the Moderator, or any two members, be reduced to writing, and no motion shall be open to discussion, until it be seconded.

12. The Moderator may speak to points of order, in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house by any two members. But he may not speak to the merits of the question without leaving the chair, and placing some other member in it, to preside while he speaks.

13. On questions of order, adjournment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question, no member shall speak more than once. Nor on any question shall a member speak more than twice, without leave of the Association.

14. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question; viz. Shall the main question be now put? The effect of adopting the previous question shall be to put an end to debate, and to bring the Association to a direct vote upon amendments reported by a Committee, if any, upon pending amendments, and then upon the main question.

15. If a question under debate contain several parts, any member may have it divided, and a question taken on each part.

16. Every member, when speaking, shall address himself to the chair; and shall be subject to no needless interruption; if he act disorderly, it shall be the duty of the Moderator, and the privilege of other members to call him to order.

17. The discussions in the Association, and the whole deportment of the members, shall be in accordance with decorum, with due respect to the chair, and with courtesy to each other.

18. No member shall leave the Association before the session is closed, except with the consent of the body; nor shall any one leave the house during a sitting, without the consent of the Moderator.

19. Each annual meeting shall be closed with a psalm or hymn, and prayer by the Moderator, or such other member as he shall appoint.

20. Our principles of fraternal intercourse with all ecclesiastical bodies in correspondence with us are, that this Association, and each

body connected with it, shall annually appoint Delegates to the other, which shall be admitted to the privilege of sitting, and deliberating upon all matters which may come under consideration.

21. The principle of the connection formed with the Massachusetts Missionary Society is, that said Society may annually appoint two delegates to this body, who shall be admitted to equal privileges with the members from the District Associations.

22. Gentlemen, who are admitted as honorary members, shall be allowed full liberty to take part in all deliberations; though they are not considered as entitled to vote; and it is expected they will give notice to the body, if they find it necessary to withdraw previous to the close of the session. The approbation of the Committee of Arrangements shall be obtained, before a gentleman shall be proposed to sit as an honorary member.

23. The Delegates, who the preceding year attended the meetings of foreign bodies, shall, *ex officio*, have seats as honorary members of the General Association.

24. A Committee of three shall be annually appointed, to submit to the General Association at the next meeting, a *Pastoral Address*, to excite the attention of ministers and Christians to faithful discipline in the churches, the instruction of the rising generation, the sanctification of the Sabbath, and other subjects relating to the general interests of religion. The address being approved by the General Association, shall be signed by the Moderator, and printed with the minutes. This Committee shall be chosen from the several Associations in rotation.

25. The several Associations shall have the offer of receiving, in rotation, the annual meeting of the General Association, and each one, in turn, shall appoint one of their number to preach the Associational Sermon, which shall be delivered at two o'clock, Thursday, P. M., after which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered. The narratives given by the Delegates of the several Associations concerning the state of religion and the churches, shall be given on Wednesday afternoon, and shall be presented in writing, with a view to obtain an accurate account of the principal facts, not however to prevent any more particular details which the Delegates may think expedient to add, or the Association to request. The returns, with respect to the number in the churches, etc., shall be made out according to a printed schedule of this body, and according to the numbers on the first of January past.

26. A Committee shall be appointed to receive the narratives and statements, and shall condense them into one narrative, to be submitted to the General Association and published. The written narratives shall be deposited with the Secretary.

27. A Committee shall be appointed to nominate Delegates to foreign bodies, which delegates shall, as far as practicable, be selected from the District Associations in rotation. The brethren chosen substitutes in the delegations to the several bodies in our connection, shall, at our next session be considered as Delegates to the respective bodies, if they shall not previously have taken their seats there, through the failure of their principals.

28. The Secretary shall be chosen for three years, from the close of the meeting at which the choice shall be made. He shall, *ex officio*, be the Treasurer of the General Association; and shall be allowed his own travelling expenses in attending the meetings of this Association.

A Committee shall be appointed annually, to audit the accounts, who shall report the state of the treasury, and the sum in their opinion necessary to be paid the next year by the members of the several Associations connected with this body. The Secretary shall be authorized to pay such expenses as are allowed by this Association.

29. It shall be the duty of the Delegates of the District Associations, to pay the amount of the Assessments due from their respective Associations for the past year, whether collected by them or not.

30. A Publishing Committee shall be annually appointed, to make such extracts from the minutes of the meeting, as in their judgment it will be proper to publish; procure to be printed such number of copies, with the Pastoral Address and Narrative of the State of Religion, as will give one copy to each minister of the Associations represented in this body; and such a number of copies for other bodies connected with this Association, as shall be mutually agreed upon. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to receive the publications from foreign bodies, and distribute them among the several Associations, in proportion to the tax paid by them respectively. One copy of each publication, received by the General Association, or printed by its order, shall be kept in the archives.

31. An Agent shall be appointed in Boston to transmit the Extracts of the Minutes of this General Association to other ecclesiastical bodies, and to receive their Extracts or other publications, and transmit them to the several District Associations represented in this body. And notice of his appointment and place of business, shall be inserted in the printed Extracts. He shall be entitled to a suitable compensation.

32. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to communicate proper information to the Agent in Boston, and to the Publishing Committee, for their direction.

33. Previously to the close of each meeting, the General Association shall specify a place for meeting the next year, and request some District Association to appoint a preacher to deliver the Associational Sermon. And the church of the place of meeting is desired to make preparations to celebrate the Lord's Supper during the session.

34. A *Vote* or *Resolve* to establish, alter, or annul a *standing rule* of this body, shall be read twice on different days, and may be debated at each reading. At the first reading the question shall be, Shall it be read the second time?

BY-LAWS.

1. An annual sermon shall be preached before the Association, on the subject of Home Missions, and a collection taken. The preacher shall be appointed by this body.

2. No report of the state of religion shall be read in public, unless it be approved by the Association from which it comes, or by the Committee of Arrangements of the General Association.

3. It is recommended to the several District Associations, to have their narratives on the state of religion, condensed, so as not to exceed five minutes in the time of reading.

4. The printed Minutes of this Association, shall be sufficient testimonials of the appointment of Delegates to Foreign Bodies.

5. It shall be the duty of those Delegates who attend the meetings of Foreign Bodies, whether they be Primaries or Substitutes, to certify the Secretary in writing, on or before the opening of the annual meeting next after his appointment.

6. The Minutes of this Association shall be sent to the individual members of the Associations connected with this body by mail, and the Chairman of the Committee of Publication, shall furnish a list of the names required to the Agents of the Association.

7. The Minutes of this body, forwarded to the General Association of Connecticut, shall be, according to their request, sent by mail, under the direction of the Publishing Committee.

8. The names of all the members of the Associations belonging to this body, whether with or without charge, shall be inserted in the published returns.

9. Every church without a pastor, by paying twenty-five cents, annually, to the Treasurer of the General Association, through the Treasurer of the local Association, with which said church is connected, shall be entitled to receive the Minutes of the General Association, to be forwarded in the same way as minutes are forwarded to members of the Association.

APPENDIX.

The order in which the several Associations shall have the offer of receiving the Annual Meeting of the General Association, commencing with the Suffolk North in 1848.

Suffolk North,
Suffolk South,
Vineyard Sound,
Bridgewater,
Salem,
Mendon,
Andover,
Brewster,
Taunton,
Hampshire,
Essex South,
Hampshire East,
Norfolk,
Berkshire,
Middlesex South,
Brookfield,
Old Colony,
Pilgrim,
Hampden East,
Essex North,
Hampden West,
Franklin,
Harmony,
Woburn,
Worcester North,
Middlesex Union,
Worcester Central.

The order in which the several Associations shall appoint one of their number to preach the Associational Sermon, commencing with the Worcester Central, in 1848.

Worcester Central,
Suffolk North,
Suffolk South,
Bridgewater,
Salem,
Vineyard Sound,
Essex South,
Franklin,
Harmony,
Mendon,
Hampden East,
Brookfield,
Hampden West,
Middlesex South,
Norfolk,
Hampshire,
Hampshire East,
Worcester North,
Old Colony,
Pilgrim,
Taunton,
Middlesex Union,
Woburn,
Essex North,
Brewster,
Andover,
Berkshire.

APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES.

At the meeting in 1855, one Delegate from each District Association will be appointed to the Body whose name stands in the opposite column. It is the privilege of each Association to nominate a Delegate.

Andover and Mendon,	Wisconsin.
Berkshire North and Middlesex South,	Gen. Assembly, (O. S.)
Berkshire South and Middlesex North,	Gen. Assembly, (N. S.)
Brewster and Norfolk,	Canada.
Bridgewater and Old Colony,	Connecticut.
Brookfield,	California and Oregon.
Pilgrim,	England and Wales.
Essex North and Salem,	Illinois.
Essex South and Suffolk North,	Iowa.
Franklin and Suffolk South,	Maine.
Hampden East and Taunton,	Michigan.
Hampden West and Vineyard Sound,	New Hampshire.
Hampshire and Woburn,	New York.
Hampshire East and Worcester Central,	Rhode Island.
Harmony and Worcester North,	Vermont.

REPORT ON A LAY DELEGATION.

THE Committee appointed to consider "the question of altering the Rules of this Association, so that greater efficiency may be given this Body," have given what attention they have been able to the subject committed to them, and respectfully present the following Report:—

The Association are not unaware, that complaints have been frequently made, that the meetings of this Body are often less fraught with interest, and less effective in leaving deep and wide-spread impressions behind, than those of many of the Ecclesiastical bodies of our land. Perhaps these complaints have, in some cases, gone beyond reason, yet it will not, probably, be denied, that there is, to some extent, a just foundation for them.

Some of the causes of this, it is probably not practicable to remove. The other Bodies referred to, generally connect with their meetings the Anniversaries of the various Benevolent Associations in which they are engaged, or are themselves the organs by which the benevolent enterprises of their denominations are conducted. This imparts an interest to those occasions which, ordinarily, nothing else can give. With us, the Anniversaries of our Benevolent Societies are held on an independent platform, at another time, and invariably at the same place. It is difficult, after the exciting scenes of Anniversary week in Boston, and that in the short space of some three or four weeks, to get up another occasion, and perhaps in a less favorable place, that shall be of equal interest. The freshness of the feeling, and of the strength, have been expended, and the wearied powers have hardly had time to recruit.

Still there are reasons, it is believed, and good reasons, for the continuance of this Body. Fraternal feeling in the Commonwealth is promoted by it. The statistics of our churches are gathered here, as we have, at present, no other means of gathering them. Places distant from the Metropolis, and less favored with religious and benevolent anniversaries, are occasionally, and in turn, brought into connection with its meetings; and, if its meetings are such as they should be, are benefitted by them. And it is the organ of correspondence with various Ecclesiastical Bodies of the land. All these are ends of value. They cannot be dispensed with without loss.

One change, the Committee believe, might be made in the constitution of this Body, which would be advantageous; which, carried out in practice, would increase its efficiency. It is, such alteration of the Rules, as will admit a LAY REPRESENTATION in its meetings.

The Committee are aware that this has been thought of before; has been made the subject of discussion, more or less, and failed of adoption; yet, it seems to them, that the subject is worthy of reconsideration. And several reasons present themselves, in their view, favoring the proposed change.

1. Laymen are often as competent as ministers to take part in the general exercises that constitute the doings of this Body, and as capable of deriving benefit from them. Why should they not be called to do service in connection with a public body like this, and allowed to receive the benefit they might obtain?

2. The business we do here, generally, as much concerns Laymen as it does Ministers. We *legislate* for nobody; but we *express opinions*, which we design shall have an effect; and to which, for the purposes of a free and intelligent religion, we attach much the same importance we should to authoritative enactments. We deem this the better way, for a Body like ours, to promote the kingdom of Christ. But the opinions we express here,—in regard to Missions, for instance, Home or Foreign; in regard to the Bible or Tract cause; the Seaman's cause; Slavery, Temperance, or any other important interest of the Church,—these opinions as much concern the Laymen, as they do ourselves. Indeed, in most cases, we are dependent on the Laymen, to accomplish the very things which we ourselves propose. We cannot move a step in our independent strength. We must fall back upon them. They must supply the means, by which only any schemes we devise can be realized Should they not be admitted, then, at the inception of these schemes? Would it not, moreover, give additional weight, among our churches, to any proposition or resolution going forth from this Body, if those churches were directly represented in this Body; if they could feel that Delegates from their own Brotherhood had stood at the fountain-head, and aided in the very rise of plans, in behalf of which their coöperation is solicited?

3. A Lay representation in this Body seems more in accordance with the true spirit of Congregationalism, than the *merely* clerical character of this Body, as it now exists. Congregationalism is a *Democracy*, in its earthly arrangement, under law to Jesus Christ. Congregationalism allows large liberty of thought and action to the individual man, amenable to Christ, and allows large privilege to all classes, and all individuals, under its regimen. It is the very genius of Congregationalism to produce *individuality* of an elevated character, and then, through a sameness of spirit, an intelligent union and fellowship. Congregationalism, eminently, rolls responsibility upon the individual; assigns him a post to occupy; calls him up to whatever service of usefulness his powers qualify him to render. Others may choose to place the government of the Church in other hands,—in those of a single head with a triple crown; in a privileged, irresponsible priesthood; or making such other arrangements as will leave the masses of the christian commonwealth rather to be *cared for*, than to care for themselves, and take part in caring for the common good. But with us, every individual member of the church, of mature manhood, is a component part of the government of the church. Is it not a little incongruous with these fundamental principles of our system, that our public gatherings for business—like the present—should have in them no Lay representation; no church representation?

4. A Lay representation should belong to this Body, from the fact that the Bodies generally with which we are in correspondence are of this character—are *ecclesiastical* bodies, and not simply *clerical* bodies. The Presbyterian bodies certainly, to whom we send, and from whom we receive delegates, are of this character. The General Conference of Maine, the Consociation of Rhode-Island, the General Convention of Vermont, are constituted in like manner, with representatives of the churches. So with the General Association of New York, and the General Associations of the States West, now springing up, with few if any exceptions, it is understood, and so with the Congregational Union of Canada. Nearly or quite all the recent organizations are so arranged, as to have a direct representation from the churches. This is the tendency of things at the present time. And it is a tendency to a right, natural, and normal state, which should have existed from the beginning. Is it not worthy of the Massachusetts Congregational Ministry to make the change, or propose to the churches the change, needful to give this Body the same character, and take the churches in with them in these public transactions relating to the churches' welfare?

We sometimes, with our present arrangement, feel ourselves under a measure of embarrassment in the use of language. You send a Delegate to some Foreign Body. He cannot say that he brings the greetings of the Congregational *churches* of Massachusetts. The *churches* have not commissioned him, in any sense. He does not quite like to say, that he brings greetings from the Ministers, or the Ministry, ignoring the churches He can use the term *General Association of Massachusetts*, which means simply the Ministers: and he will be likely to have some uncomfortable consciousness of its restricted meaning, even while he utters it. Occasions will be likely to occur, too, in the proceedings and discussions of successive sessions, when he would like to exhibit himself as the Representative of THE CHURCHES of the Old Bay State, and to utter, in their name, what he knew to be the deep throbbings of their heart. But he cannot do

it. He can speak *of* them, indeed; but he cannot speak *for* them. He may speak in the name of *the ministry*,—a ministry which he may deem himself very highly honored to represent. But he would speak of the WHOLE OF OUR ZION, churches and ministry together, and bear tidings from the hearts of the whole to the Bodies he visits. Give, then, the *churches* a place on your floor, and he may do it consistently.

In some of the grave papers, even, of our Association itself, the embarrassment now alluded to has been felt, and has produced a use of language not entirely accurate. In the second Rule, defining the objects of the Association, one is said to be,—"to coöperate with one another, and with *other ecclesiastical bodies*," etc. We are not an ecclesiastical Body, though the framers of the Rule seem, for the moment, to have acted under the impression that we were, since we do ecclesiastical work. Would it not be better so to change our Rules as to admit a Lay representation from the churches, and make us strictly an Ecclesiastical Body, in correspondence with the work we do?

There are always difficulties in making changes. It will be so, if any change is attempted in the present case. Yet it is hoped that none will present themselves which will prove insurmountable.

The views now expressed, the undersigned respectfully present to the Association, as their Report on the important subject committed to them.*

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S. G. BUCKINGHAM,
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* Some of the Committee sign the Report with some qualification.

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FORM OF A SCHEDULE FOR THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

☞ It is expected that each member of the particular Associations in Massachusetts will make returns agreeably to this form, to his Association at its meeting next preceding each annual meeting of the General Association, and that the Delegates from each Association will combine all the returns to his Association into one, to be presented to the General Association, *arranging the churches in alphabetical order, adding up and stating the whole amount in each column, and making the return, in all respects, as complete as possible.* ☞ The *absent* members are to be regarded as included in the columns with the others.

Churches	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Churches, Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	Dea	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.

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The General Association of Massachusetts assembled in the Meeting-house of the First Congregational Church in Northampton, on Tuesday, June 26, 1855, at 5 o'clock, P. M. The Association was called to order by Rev. John P. Cleaveland, D. D.; and Rev. Joseph Peckham was appointed Scribe, *pro tem.*

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The following clergymen presented certificates of their election as Delegates from District Associations, and were enrolled as members :—

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Bridgewater,	None.
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Essex South,	Israel E. Dwinell.
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Old Colony,	Wheelock Craig, Benjamin Judkins.
Pilgrim,	Joseph Peckham, Daniel H. Babcock.
Salem,	Parsons Cooke, D. D., Jonas B. Clark.
Suffolk North,	George Richards.
Suffolk South,	Thomas Laurie, Alonzo H. Quint.
Taunton,	Erastus Maltby, Eli Thurston.
Vineyard Sound,	Henry B. Hooker.
Woburn,	William C. Whitcomb.
Worcester Central,	George Bushnell, N. W. Williams.
Worcester North,	Abijah P. Marvin, John F. Norton.

Also, Mass. H. M. Society, Joseph S. Clark, D. D.

Also, Ex-officio,	Emerson Davis, D. D., *Sec'ry.* John P. Cleaveland, D. D.

The following clergymen, who had represented this Association to other bodies since the session of 1854, were enrolled as HONORARY MEMBERS:

Congregational Union of Canada,—A. E. P. Perkins, Otis Lombard.

Congregational Convention of Vermont,—Aaron M. Colton.

Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island,—Rollin S. Stone.

General Association of Michigan,—Samuel G. Buckingham.

General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church which met at Nashville,—Lewis Sabin.

The following clergymen were present as DELEGATES FROM CORRESPONDING BODIES:

General Association of New Hampshire,—Amos Blanchard.

General Convention of Vermont,—C. H. Kent.

Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island,—Samuel Wolcott.

General Association of Connecticut,—L. B. Rockwood.

General Association of Illinois,—N. H. Eggleston.

General Association of Iowa,—William Salter.

Presbyterian General Assembly, meeting last at Nashville,—Alfred Nevin.

Presbyterian General Assembly, meeting last at St. Louis,—William W. Newell.

And, admitted by subsequent vote:

Congregational Conference of Ohio,—Levi L. Fay.

ORGANIZATION.

The Rev. Henry B. Hooker, of Falmouth, was chosen Moderator; Rev. Joseph Peckham, of Kingston, Scribe; and Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, of Jamaica Plain, Assistant Scribe.

Prayer was offered by the Moderator.

The Rules of the Association were read by the Permanent Secretary.

The following Committees were appointed:—

On Elections:—Rev. Messrs. Judkins, E. B. Clark, and Merrill.

On Arrangements :—Rev. Messrs. Cleaveland, Maltby, and Butler.

On Nominations :—Rev. Messrs. Tucker, Craig, and Root.

On Accounts :—Rev. Mr. Ward.

In the failure of the preacher appointed for the evening in behalf of the Home Missionary Society,

Voted, That Rev. Milton Badger, D. D., be requested to officiate in that capacity.

The Association adjourned, after prayer, to meet at 7¾ o'clock, P. M.

Tuesday evening, 7¾ *o'clock.* The Association met for public worship, and listened to a sermon by the Rev. Dr. Badger, from Psalm cxlv : 11. A collection was taken up, amounting to $29 77.

The Association adjourned, with prayer, to meet Wednesday morning, at 8 o'clock.

Wednesday, A. M., 8 *o'clock.* The Association met according to adjournment. After the calling of the roll, prayer was offered by the Moderator, and the minutes of the previous day were read.

Members of Committees appointed in 1854, specially to report at this session, were admitted to sit as Honorary Members, as follows :—

Edward Beecher, D. D., Samuel M. Worcester, D. D., Luther F. Dimmick, D. D.

Reports of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies.

Reports of attendance were made in person by the following brethren :—

Rev. A. E. P. Perkins, delegate to the Congregational Union of Canada.

Rev. Lewis Sabin, delegate to the Presbyterian General Assembly which last met at Nashville.

Rev. J. S. Clark, D. D., reported that he had communicated by letter with the General Association of Oregon, and presented a letter from that body.

Reports were received by letter from the following brethren:—

Rev. Lyman Whiting, of his attendance on the General Association of Connecticut.

Rev. Samuel Harris, of his attendance on the Presbyterian General Assembly which met at St. Louis.

REPORTS OF REGULAR COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Elections reported in reference to credentials of members; and also recommended that the *Congregational Conference of Ohio* be received into correspondence with this body, and that Rev. Levi L. Fay be received as its Delegate; the report was adopted.

The Committee on Nominations reported the following names for the offices specified:—

On Publication,—Rev. Messrs. Alonzo H. Quint, Parsons Cooke, D. D., and Thomas T. Richmond.

On Narrative of the State of Religion,—Rev. Messrs. Amos Blanchard, D. D., Erastus Maltby, and T. C. Colton.

On Nomination of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies,—Rev. Messrs. Heman Humphrey, D. D., Eli Thurston, and George Bushnell.

The report was adopted.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The *Report on Lay Delegation* was assigned specially for 11 o'clock this morning.

The *Committee on Infant Baptism* presented a report, by Rev. George A. Oviatt, which was accepted, and, after some discussion, laid upon the table; and the whole subject was referred to a Committee consisting of Rev. Messrs. Seth Sweetser, D. D., Edward Beecher, D. D., Benjamin Tappan, Jr., Eli Thurston, and Jonathan S. Judd, who should report at the session of 1856.

After a recess of five minutes, the Association spent a season in *Devotional Exercises;* in the course of which notices were read of the clergyman deceased during the past year. [See "Narrative, etc."]

REPORTS RESUMED.

At the hour of special assignment, the *Committee on a Lay Delegation* presented their report, through Rev. Dr. Dimmick, which was accepted and assigned for consideration at 8 o'clock, A. M., Thursday.

The Report of the *Committee of Conference with the Publishing Societies*, "to ascertain their views and actions on the subject of slavery," was made the special assignment for 10, A. M., Thursday.

Adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

Wednesday, 2 o'clock, P. M. The Association met at the hour of adjournment, and was opened with singing and prayer.

NARRATIVES OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

The Association listened to the narratives from the local Associations; and after their close, received the salutations of Corresponding Bodies, through the following Delegates:—

Rev. Amos Blanchard, from the General Association of New Hampshire.

Rev. C. H. Kent, from the General Convention of Vermont.

Rev. L. B. Rockwood, from the General Association of Connecticut.

A letter from the Delegate of the General Association of Michigan, presented the fraternal greetings of that body.

Adjourned, with prayer, to meet at 7¾ o'clock this evening.

Wednesday evening, 7¾ o'clock. The Association met, and after prayer, proceeded with the reception of Delegates from Corresponding Bodies, as follows:—

Rev. Levi L. Fay, from the Congregational Conference of Ohio.

Rev. N. H. Eggleston, from the General Association of Illinois.

Rev. William W. Newell, from the Presbyterian General Assembly which met last at St. Louis.

Rev. Alfred Nevin, from the Presbyterian General Assembly which met last at Nashville.

Rev. William Salter, from the General Association of Iowa.

Rev. Samuel Wolcott, from the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island.

HOME MISSIONS.

The Committee of Arrangements introduced resolutions relative to Home Missions at the West, which were laid upon the table.

SETTLEMENT OF KANSAS.

A resolution, introduced by the same Committee, in reference to this subject, was laid upon the table.

TOBACCO.

The Committee of Arrangements introduced a resolution in opposition to the use of tobacco: it was laid upon the table.

STATISTICS.

The Committee of Arrangements presented the following resolution, adopted by Hampshire Association May 1, 1855:—

Resolved, That the Delegates to the General Association be instructed to submit to that body an overture respecting the propriety of omitting the footing up of the statistics for each Association, and the aggregate of the same for the State, on account of the gross inaccuracy of all the tables previously published under the sanction of the General Association.

It was laid upon the table.

After prayer, adjourned to 8 o'clock Thursday.

Thursday, 8 *o'clock*, *A. M.* The Association met at the time appointed; the roll was called; prayer was offered by the Moderator; and the minutes of the previous day were read.

REPORT ON LAY DELEGATION.

The report of the Committee on the introduction of a Lay Delegation into this body, was taken up: showing that the District Associations had decided adversely to such a change in this body, the Committee recommended the passage of the following vote:—

Resolved, That it is due to the original objects of this Association, that its method of proceeding at its annual meeting be revised, with a view to restrain its action to what is legitimate, and, if possible, to promote and increase its true usefulness.

The resolution was adopted; and it was voted to appoint a Committee to carry out the object of the resolution; a proposition to instruct the Committee to ascertain the wishes of the local Conferences as to the formation of a General Conference was lost. The Committee consists of Rev. Messrs. S. G. Buckingham, Rufus W. Clark, Erastus Maltby, George Richards, and Israel E. Dwinell.

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY PREACHER FOR 1856.

Rev. John P. Cleaveland, D. D., of Northampton, was appointed Alternate Preacher for 1856, Rev. J. T. Tucker, of Holliston, being Primary.

DELEGATES TO FOREIGN BODIES.

The Committee appointed to nominate Delegates made the following report, which was adopted:—

To the Presbyterian General Assembly, (O. S.):

J. T. Tucker,
R. S. Storrs, D. D., } Primaries.

B. G. Northrup,
Mark Hopkins, D. D., } Substitutes.

To the Presbyterian General Assembly, (N. S.):

J. Jay Dana,
William M. Thayer, } Primaries.

A. H. Dashiell, Jr.,
John Dodge, } Substitutes.

To the General Conference of Maine:

Israel E. Dwinell,
Aaron C. Adams, } Primaries.

N. Adams, D. D.,
George M. Adams, } Substitutes.

To the General Association of New Hampshire:

Eli B. Clark,
Robert Carver, } Primaries.

Emerson Davis, D. D.,
Leonard Withington, D. D., } Substitutes.

To the General Convention of Vermont:

Robert McEwen,
Seth Sweetser, D. D., } Primaries.

Abijah P. Marvin,
George Lyman, } Substitutes.

To the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island:

Joseph W. Cross,
James T. McCollom, } Primaries.

William H. Beaman,
William P. Paine, } Substitutes.

To the General Association of Connecticut:

Israel C. Thatcher,
James H. Means, } Primaries.

Israel W. Putnam, D. D.,
James A. Roberts, } Substitutes.

To the General Association of New York:

Ralph Perry,
Henry B. Hooker, } Primaries.

Theodore G. Clark,
A. J. Sessions, } Substitutes.

To the General Association of Michigan:

William H. Gilbert, Rufus W. Clark, } Primaries.

Edward S. Skinner, Franklin Holmes, } Substitutes.

To the General Association of Wisconsin:

Jacob J. Abbot, John C. Paine, } Primaries.

Eden B. Foster, Jacob Ide, D. D., } Substitutes.

To the General Association of Illinois:

Jason Morse, E. Alden, Jr., } Primaries.

Randolph Campbell, Anson McLoud, } Substitutes.

To the General Association of Iowa:

John Pike, Milton P. Braman, D. D., } Primaries.

Robert Southgate, George Richards, } Substitutes.

To the General Association of California and Oregon, and to the Congregational Conference of Ohio:

J. S. Judd, Primary.

L. F. Waldo, Substitute.

To the Congregational Union of Canada:

Luther H. Sheldon, James H. Merrill, } Primaries.

William B. Hammond, Edward W. Noble, } Substitutes.

To the Congregational Union of England and Wales:

William L. Mather, Primary.

Joseph Pekham, Substitute.

PLACE OF MEETING AND PREACHER FOR 1856.

Voted, That the meeting of this Body in 1856 be held in the South Church, Salem, of which Rev. Brown Emerson, D. D., is the Senior Pastor, and Rev. Israel E. Dwinell, the Junior.

Voted, That Hampden East Association select the Associational Preacher.

PASTORAL ADDRESS FOR 1856.

Rev. Messrs. William C. Jackson, Henry Allen, and Charles V. Spear, were appointed to prepare the Pastoral Address for next year.

FURTHER REPORTS OF DELEGATES.

Rev. S. G. Buckingham reported his attendance on the General Association of Michigan.

Rev. A. M. Colton reported his attendance on the General Convention of Vermont.

CONGREGATIONAL SOCIETIES.

Rev. William I. Budington addressed the Association in reference to the American Congregational Union, located at New York; Rev. Parsons Cooke, D. D., in reference to the Congregational Board of Publication; and Rev. J. S. Clark, D. D., in reference to the Congregational Library Association, located at Boston.

THE PUBLISHING SOCIETIES IN THEIR RELATION TO SLAVERY.

The Committee appointed at the last previous session to ascertain of the various "Publishing Societies" "their views and action on the subject of slavery," made a report through Rev. Dr. Worcester; the report was accepted and laid upon the table.

NARRATIVE.

Rev. Amos Blanchard, D. D., for the Committee appointed to prepare the Narrative of the State of Religion, presented their report, which was accepted, adopted, and ordered to be printed with the Minutes.

FINANCES.

The Treasurer's Report, properly audited, was presented and adopted.

HOME MISSIONS.

The resolutions on Home Missions at the West were taken from the table, amended, adopted, and ordered to be published in the following form:—

Resolved, That whilst this Association cherish a growing attachment to the essential features of Congregationalism, and a growing desire for its spread throughout the country, they would still deprecate the adoption of any measures on the part of Congregationalists, which would naturally tend to divest Congregationalism of its eminently unsectarian character, or needlessly to array it in hostility to any evangelical denomination.

Resolved, That on the subject of Congregational and Presbyterian church extension, this Association deem it sufficient to refer to the following recently adopted resolutions of the General Association of Connecticut, as happily expressing the sentiments which this body entertains, and by which their future course will be governed.

"*Resolved*, That the recent measure of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church at St. Louis, appointing a central Committee for employing "exploring or itinerant missionaries, and the planting of Presbyterian churches in advance of all others in towns and neighborhoods," is regarded by us as one which must divert funds from the American Home Missionary Society to sectarian purposes, as very unfraternal toward the Congregationalists who have contributed, and do contribute, the largest part of the funds of that Society; as inconsistent with the principles of coöperation in the Home Missionary work long acted upon by Congregationalists and Presbyterians, and if persisted in, sure to result in the speedy cessation of all such coöperation."

"*Resolved*, That we have been greatly gratified by the presence and communications of delegates from Congregational bodies in the Western States, and we hereby declare that we deeply sympathize with the brethren of our faith and order with whom we are in correspondence, laboring at the West, that we have confidence in them, and express it as our conviction, that the men and churches

of Massachusetts will stand by them in their trials, and continue to sustain them by their sympathies, prayers and liberality."

SETTLEMENT OF KANSAS.

The resolution in reference to this subject was taken up and adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That this Association feel a deep interest in the great work of settling the territory of Kansas with an enterprising, intelligent and Christian population, and that we earnestly recommend to all our churches and the ministry to encourage in all suitable ways every judicious and Christian scheme for carrying this benevolent design into effect.

Adjourned, to meet at 2 o'clock, P. M., for public services.

Thursday, 2 o'clock, P. M. The Association met to observe the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

The sermon was preached by Rev. J. T. Tucker, of Holliston, from Hebrews vii : 16.

Rev. Messrs. Sweetser and Bushnell assisted the Moderator in administering the sacrament.

After the religious services, business was resumed, and the following transacted.

DR. BAIRD.

The Committee of Arrangements offered the following, which was adopted:—

Whereas, a General Convention of the friends of Protestant Christianity is to be held the present summer at Paris, and the Rev. Dr. Baird is intending to be present at the Convention,

Resolved, That he be authorised and requested to represent this Body in the Convention, and that the officers of the Association furnish him with the necessary credentials.

THE PUBLISHING SOCIETIES.

The report of the Committee on this subject was taken from the table, and again referred to the Committee which presented it,—Rev. George Bushnell being substituted on the Committee for Rev. H. M. Storrs, who had left the State.

STATISTICS.

The Committee appointed last year to "compare the statistics of the churches with those of our population," reported that nothing had been done; it was voted that this work be assigned to the Committee of Publication now appointed.

The Resolution from Hampshire Association regarding the accuracy of the statistics of the churches was taken from the table, and referred to the Committee of Publication.

On motion of Rev. C. Cushing,—

Voted, That, in order to secure more perfect statistical returns from our churches, the Publishing Committee be instructed to forward to the Scribes of the District Associations as many of the copies of the blank forms appended to the Minutes of the General Association, as there are churches in their several Associations, to be sent by these Scribes to the Pastors or Officers of these churches a short time previous to the annual meeting of this General Association.

VOTES OF THANKS.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Cooley,—

Resolved, That the Rev. Dr. Cleaveland be requested to communicate to the First Church and Society the thanks of this body for the use of their church during our session; to the Choir, for their interesting performances on the occasion; and to the people of Northampton, for their generous hospitalities.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Humphrey,—

Voted, That the thanks of this Body be presented to the Moderator, for the able, patient, and courteous manner in which he has discharged the duties of the chair.

After prayer by Rev. Dr. Cleaveland, the Association adjourned, *sine die*.

HENRY B. HOOKER, *Moderator.*

JOSEPH PECKHAM, *Scribe.*

ALONZO H. QUINT, *Assistant Scribe.*

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

In noticing the dealings of God with ourselves and our churches, during the past year, we have first to record the trophies of death.* We miss the venerable forms of the Rev. Messrs. Fiske, D. D. of New Braintree, Canning of Gill, Farnsworth of Bridgewater, Coggin of Tewksbury, and Chapman of Cummington, who have fallen at the ages of 83, 74, 62, 73, and 50, respectively. Another, the Rev.

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* Pastors of churches :—

Rev. Josiah W. Canning, of Gill, died Oct. 4, 1854, aged 74.

Rev. James D. Farnsworth, of Bridgewater, died Nov. 5, 1854, aged 62.

Rev. Jacob Coggin, of Tewksbury, died Dec. 12, 1854, aged 73.

Rev. James D. Chapman, of Cummington, died Dec. 19, 1854, aged 50.

Rev. John Fiske, D. D., of New Braintree, died March 15, 1855, aged 83.

Rev. Lyman Cutler, of Newton, died April 28, 1855, aged 28.

And clergymen not then Pastors :—

Rev. Uzziah C. Burnap, of Lowell, died Aug. 11, 1854, aged 60.

Rev. Leonard Woods, D. D., of Andover, died Aug. 21, 1854, aged 81.

Rev. Caleb Knight, died at Hatfield, Oct. 25, 1854, aged 83.

Rev. Freegrace Reynolds, of Wilmington, died Dec. 8. 1854, aged 88.

Rev. Samuel W. Colburn, died at New York, Dec. 19, 1854, aged 73.

Rev. Moses Miller, died at Chicago, Ill., April, 1855, aged 80.

Lyman Cutler of Newton, has been summoned away, in his youthful vigor, at the threshold of what had promised to be a career of signal usefulness. To these must be added the names of Rev. Messrs. Burnap, aged 60; Miller, aged 80; Colburn, aged 73; Knight, aged 83; Reynolds, aged 86; and Leonard Woods, D. D., aged 81, who had retired from active service: the last named, a veteran teacher of Theology, whose long life and useful labors are his best eulogium, and have reared for him an imperishable memorial. It is a note-worthy fact, that the average age of these twelve was nearly threescore years and ten. We would gratefully acknowledge the Divine goodness in sparing them to us so long, and in the Christian tranquillity of their closing scenes, while we feel ourselves admonished anew to work with diligence while the day lasts.

The most marked feature of the Reports from the District Associations, is the very gratifying one of an unusual number of Revivals of religion. Nearly every Association sends us tidings of some degree of extraordinary religious interest in some of the churches within its limits. No year has witnessed so many revivals since 1831. The dews of Divine grace have distilled upon some seventy congregations in much greater than usual abundance, and several of them have experienced refreshing showers. The list of these churches is too long to be given here, but we cannot forbear noticing, with special interest, the work of grace in the old town of Plymouth. More than 150 have been hopefully converted within the parishes of the First and Second Churches, giving a new pledge of the perpetuity of the Puritan spirit in the place of our fathers' sepulchres.

We ought to record also, as occasions of special congratulation and praise to God, the spiritual blessings dispensed to the Colleges of Amherst and Williamstown. More than usual religious interest exists in Phillips' Academy, Andover. The institutions of this class at Hadley, East Hampton, and Monson have enjoyed precious revivals; the last named having been thus blessed for a series of years. The institutions for female education at South Hadley, Pittsfield, and Norton have also shared largely in these richest of Divine benefactions.

A very large proportion of the converts in all these revivals have been young men and young women. To a very gratifying extent, no unusual means appear to have

been employed, though there has doubtless been, in all cases, extraordinary earnestness in preaching the gospel from the pulpit and in private intercourse. The public preaching has generally been done by the pastors themselves, and meetings have scarcely ever been multiplied beyond the ability of the pastors, when in usual health, permanently to sustain. Experience has shown that the best help which a pastor can have at such seasons is that of devoted church members, each in his own sphere seeking to apply the truth to others, both by lip and life. Instances have occurred of fidelity in lay efforts to win souls, which, if imitated *with equal success* by all the evangelical professors of religion in our land, would ensure the hopeful conversion of every man, woman and child in the United States within a single year.

Many of the larger vacant churches have been supplied with pastors. Many of the feebler ones are maintaining the institutions of the gospel by means of "stated supplies," a method far preferable to that of continual change. We are pained, however, to observe that few of our large churches seem to expect to find a pastor but by creating a vacancy elsewhere. A restless spirit is still abroad, in the responsibility for which, the ministry itself, we must fear, largely participates. An improvement in this matter is reported from some sections of the State, while the general aspect of the churches in regard to the pastoral relation is far from satisfactory. Parsonages have been built in some parishes: and the salaries of many pastors have been increased in some ratio to the augmented expenses of the times. This has been done, in most cases, without solicitation or hint from the pastor, as the expression of the people's sense of justice. In many of our parishes, the neglect of this duty, so vital to the permanence of the ministry and the prosperity of the churches, is to be ascribed rather to inconsideration, than to any want of attachment to their pastors. The experiment, it is believed, has, in every case, proved equally satisfactory to both parties.

A great and good work has been done within the year in erecting new houses of worship, and in repairing and beautifying old ones. The success of probably all such enterprises, and the remuneration in gratified feeling to the congregations which have thus testified their love of the Lord's House, afford abundant encouragement to such as still need it, to go and do likewise.

From the last Report of the Massachusetts Missionary Society, it appears that sixteen years ago, our churches in this State numbered 375. Of that number 80, or 21 per cent., were aided by that Society. Now, our churches number 469, and only 38 are aided by that Society—though a few, five or six, are aided by stronger churches in their immediate neighborhood. That is, the number of our churches has increased within sixteen years 25 per cent., while the number of feeble churches has diminished by nearly one half. In other words, we have seen within that time an addition of 140 to the number of self-supporting Congregational Churches in Massachusetts, or at the rate of $8\frac{3}{4}$ for each year. No instance of church extinction is known to have occurred within the last year.

The past year has witnessed a great increase of effort in behalf of the heathen at our doors, the neglectors of public worship among the sons of New England, and the votaries of superstition and formalism whom the Providence of God is bringing into our rural towns, as well as our commercial and manufacturing cities, to be evangelized, we must hope, and wrought by the gospel as goodly stones into our social and civil structure. Lecturing, in some cases, by those of their own nation, who combine a fervid love of the gospel with a perfect familiarity with their language and their prejudices, and the simple reading of the Sacred Scriptures from house to house, in other instances, have so far succeeded in reaching the minds of our German and Irish fellow citizens, as to leave no room for doubt that great good is yet to be effected in these ways. What has been done in this direction is, we trust, but the beginning of what is to be accomplished. Have we not reason to reproach ourselves with indolence and unbelief, in so hastily assuming that our brethren, who, in their strugglings upward, have, like our own progenitors, found their way to our shores, are not to become, in themselves or in their children, both worthy citizens, and fellow heirs with us of the grace of God?

There is no abatement of interest in Sabbath Schools: though they are still, both in numbers and usefulness, far below what we are convinced they ought to be. Their members exceed in but few instances the number of communicants in the churches. Their aggregate falls far below that of the church members. The great want every where felt is that of competent and faithful teachers:

a want destined to be still felt until the Spirit be poured out upon us more abundantly from on high.

The enterprises of benevolence seem not to have lost or loosened their hold upon the affections of our churches, though the contributions of the year by no means keep pace with our rapidly increasing wealth. The native and Christian anti-slavery sentiment of New England finds utterance through all our pulpits, and meets with a cordial response in all our parishes. We could not suppress it if we would; we would not, if we could. We believe, however, that our proper line of Associational and of separate ministerial action is coming to be understood to be that of a calm, honest, earnest expression of our convictions, on fitting occasions, especially in our correspondence with Ecclesiastical bodies at the South, abstaining from the harsh vituperation which we are in danger of contracting from the prevailing temper of political discussions.

We may, without arrogance, claim the Temperance reformation as, in a sense, the daughter of New England Congregationalism. Our ministers and churches have, from the first, been foremost in promoting it. Their unabated earnestness is testified to from every part of our Commonwealth. Accustomed to practice and to inculcate obedience to law, in virtue of its authority as law, they will assuredly be found lending all their exertions to sustain legislation in aid of this great public reform. There is, however, some ground for apprehension that the legal and political relations of the subject for some years past have in a measure thrust out of sight its original character as a high moral and religious movement. At its heart, there lies the noble Christian principle: "If meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no meat while the world standeth, lest I make my brother to offend." As Christians and ministers, we need to be continually at work, in preaching and personal intercourse, to induce men, women and children, to adopt this great rule of action, as part of the process of bringing them to Christ. In no other way can we hope to provide for Temperance legislation its only adequate support, in a christianized public sentiment, demanding the laws requisite to protect us, as far as law can do it, against the mischiefs of intemperance as spontaneously, and enforcing them as effectively, as in respect to any other acknowledged evil.

Our cherished Theological Seminary at Andover enjoys more than its usual prosperity. We disparage none of its former venerated teachers, when we say that its corps of instruction was never more ably filled. The number of students is greater than for many years past; and its high scholarly enthusiasm does not seem to be maintained at the sacrifice of a devotional spirit and of missionary zeal. About one quarter of the present senior class are to become foreign missionaries. As many more are destined to the Western field, leaving not more than fourteen to supply the abounding destitutions of New England. We can hardly expect all even of these to become pastors. It has been said by a high authority, "that a religious body within which there is vitality will ordinarily supply itself with an adequate proportion of ministers." If this be so, the facts on this subject are painfully suggestive in respect to our own spiritual state.

Our churches, as a general fact, are undeniably sound in the faith, never perhaps more so. The religious delusions of the day make but little impression upon them. We are afflicted with no alarming divisions on doctrinal subjects. The returns from our churches, however, indicate among their members a sad laxity of practical belief in the truth, importance and scriptural authority of Infant Baptism. Even of those who account it a privilege, many, it is to be feared, do not feel it to be a duty binding on their consciences. This state of things betokens, we must think, some want of fidelity in the details of pastoral labor; in faithful religious intercourse with families; in patient effort to remove objections, and to lead parents individually to correct views.

Other facts in the state of our churches might be cited, as calling the ministry to rigorous self-examination, especially on the following points; the laying out of our strength upon our proper work, as ministers of Christ; our caution as to the danger of spending, in lucrative and semi-secular employments, the time and strength demanded for our parish duties; the evangelical, as well as orthodox character of our preaching; its full and varied exhibitions of Christ with the direct aim to win souls; the direction of study mainly to the preaching of Christ appropriately to our hearers' wants with the freshness and originality of an ever new experience, in ourselves, of the power of His truth: our Christian wisdom in shunning

needless collisions with the world, and leaving some things to be accomplished by time and the good providence of God; the cast of our Theology as one of the 'feelings' not less than of the 'intellect;' our ministerial singleness of aim, and our perception of the truth, that by this spiritual direction of our labors, we shall, in the end, have most effectually aided all the plans of true philanthropy for even social improvement. To such self-scrutiny we are impelled also by the hallowed associations of the place of our meeting, where Edwards labored, and where the remains of Brainerd sleep.

The Reports of the local Associations breathe, for the most part, a conciliatory spirit towards all other branches of the household of faith. They prove that we know, in some measure, how to unite a well-defined belief and decision in maintaining it with candor towards those who differ with us. Heartily do we rejoice and bless God, in view of all that is accomplished by their labors, and pray that grace, mercy and peace may be multiplied to them all abundantly.

We have time for but a brief notice of the Reports of Delegates from Ecclesiastical Bodies in correspondence with us.

The fraternal intercourse which formerly existed between the O. S. Presbyterians and ourselves has been happily renewed this year, and we trust with the prospect of mutual advantage. One token of prosperity peculiar to our brethren of that denomination is, that they are better supplied with candidates for the ministry than ever before.

From our N. S. Presbyterian brethren, we have such earnest protestations of confidence and good feeling as lead us to hope that their action at the late session of the General Assembly at St. Louis has been misinterpreted. The addition of 5,000 members to their churches on profession of their faith within the past year is cheering evidence of their prosperity.

Our Congregational brethren in the Western States are full of zeal and activity; and the blessing of God has rested upon their labors in a marked degree, the last year. A Theological Seminary, centrally located at Chicago, and in process of being amply endowed with Western funds, gives the highest promise of future good. The church building fund, contributed for their benefit by

Eastern churches in 1853, has been productive of the happiest results.

Reports from the Congregational Churches of the Eastern States indicate a higher degree of spiritual prosperity than they have enjoyed for many years.

Amidst all our occasions for gratitude, in view of our visible peace and prosperity and the special refreshings of the year, we are still constrained to mourn that our churches are so far from fulfilling reasonable expectations in view of their numbers, social position, intelligence and wealth. In this remark, we ascribe all its just value to their influence in retarding and often arresting, the natural process of moral deterioration. It is much to be the instruments of staying the work of corruption. We know, too, the heavy draft upon our churches for recruits for the great army of Western emigration, so heavy in some cases, as actually to diminish the number of church members notwithstanding numerous additions. But, with a resident membership of some 67,000, an annual increase, taking one year with another, of only about 2,000, or less than five to each church, is surely but a slow progress. How long will the world's conversion linger, if its rate of advance is to be that of even the past comparatively favorable year? Many of our church members, too, verify the picture drawn by Rev. John Angel James, and endorsed as true by Rev. Dr. Wayland, of "a strange combination of zeal and worldly-mindedness: great activity for the extension of religion in the earth, united with lamentable indifference to the state of religion in the soul; in short, apparent vigor in the extremities, with a growing torpor at the heart. Multitudes are substituting zeal for piety, liberality for mortification, and a social for a personal religion. The line of separation between the church and the world becomes less and less perceptible: and the character of genuine Christianity, as expounded from pulpits and delineated in books, has too rare a counterpart in the lives and spirit of its professors."*

We are confident, however, that this state of things cannot long continue. Meantime, let us labor in high faith and hope derived less from passing appearances, even those most encouraging, than from the sure promises of God, and with new earnestness in prayer that the set time to favor Zion may be hastened.

* "Primitive Piety Revived."

TREASURER'S REPORT.

General Association of Massachusetts, in account with E. DAVIS, *Treasurer.*

			Cr.
June 1854.	Balance in Treasury,		$97 09
Nov. "	Received of Mr. Harding,		68
June 1855.	Received from District Associations,		118 75
			$216 52

	Contra, Dr.		
Oct. 1854.	To cash paid for postage on Minutes,	10 68	
June, 1855.	" Postage and expenses,	2 00	
"	" Secretary's travelling expenses,	1 80	
"	" Paid S. Harding, for printing Minutes, etc.	155 29	
"	" Printing 500 Circulars by Publishing Committee,	5 37	—175 14
	Balance in the Treasury,		$41 38

I have examined the above account, and find it correct. I recommend that a tax of 25 cents be assessed upon each member of the local Associations for the ensuing year.

S. D. WARD, *Com. on Accounts.*

[Adopted and ordered to be published.]

RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

1. The Association, by which the General Association of Massachusetts was originally organized, agreed to admit, and this Association continue to admit, as articles of faith, the doctrines of Christianity, as they are generally expressed in the Assembly's Shorter Catechism; and the above-mentioned doctrines, understood by us to be distinctly those, which from the beginning, have been embraced by the churches of New England as the doctrines of the Gospel, are considered as the basis of our union.

2. This General Association is founded on the principles of Congregationalism, and wholly disclaims ecclesiastical jurisdiction over the churches, or the opinions of individuals. Its object is to promote brotherly harmony and intercourse among the ministers of Christ;—to obtain religious information relative to the state of their churches, and of the christian church in this country, and throughout the world;—and to co-operate with one another, and with other ecclesiastical bodies, in the most eligible measures for advancing the cause of truth and holiness.

3. Each District Association in Massachusetts, consenting to the principles of this Union, as stated in the first article, may appoint two delegates annually, to compose this General Association: and it is recommended, that one be appointed, who attended the preceding year.

4. The time of the annual meeting of this Association, shall be on the fourth Tuesday of June, at five o'clock, P. M., at such place, as shall have been duly notified.

5. Seven members, delegated from the particular Associations of Massachusetts, shall be requisite to form a quorum for transacting any business; but for opening and adjourning the meeting, a less number shall be competent.

6. The secretary, and the minister of the church where the Association meet, shall have seats, and act as members; the Associations to which they belong retaining the right to elect their number of Delegates in addition.

7. The minister of the church in the place where the Association meets, or the secretary, may call the Association to order, and preside in the meeting until the Association shall be properly organized.

8. The certificates of the delegates present shall be read by the Secretary, or by a temporary Scribe; and the Association shall then be organized by the choice of a Moderator, a Scribe, and, if necessary, an assistant Scribe, by ballot. The Rules of the Association shall also be read, and the Moderator shall open the business with prayer.

9. At the opening of the session on each subsequent day, the Moderator shall take the chair at the hour to which the Association stands adjourned; shall immediately call the members to order; direct the roll to be called; shall open the meeting with prayer, and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read; and the session of each day shall be closed with prayer.

10. At each meeting of the Association, a Committee of Arrangements, consisting of three, shall be appointed by nomination, to prepare the business of the session; and no business shall be introduced during the session, but through the hands, and with the approbation of the Committee. But if said Committee decline presenting any item of business proposed by any member, he shall have the privilege of appeal to the Association.

11. Every motion, on being seconded, shall, if requested by the Moderator, or any two members, be reduced to writing, and no motion shall be open to discussion, until it be seconded.

12. The Moderator may speak to points of order, in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house by any two members. But he may not speak to the merits of the question without leaving the chair, and placing some other member in it, to preside while he speaks.

13. On questions of order, adjournment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question, no member shall speak more than once. Nor on any question shall a member speak more than twice, without leave of the Association.

14. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question; viz. Shall the main question be now put? The effect of adopting the previous question shall be to put an end to debate, and to bring the Association to a direct vote upon amendments reported by a Committee, if any, upon pending amendments, and then upon the main question.

15. If a question under debate contain several parts, any member may have it divided, and a question taken on each part.

16 Every member, when speaking, shall address himself to the chair; and shall be subject to no needless interruption; if he act disorderly, it shall be the duty of the Moderator, and the privilege of other members to call him to order.

17. The discussions in the Association, and the whole deportment of the members, shall be in accordance with decorum, with due respect to the chair, and with courtesy to each other.

18. No member shall leave the Association before the session is closed, except with the consent of the body; nor shall any one leave the house during a sitting, without the consent of the Moderator.

19. Each annual meeting shall be closed with a psalm or hymn, and prayer by the Moderator, or such other member as he shall appoint.

20. Our principles of fraternal intercourse with all ecclesiastical bodies in correspondence with us are, that this Association, and each

body connected with it, shall annually appoint Delegates to the other, which shall be admitted to the privilege of sitting, and deliberating upon all matters which may come under consideration.

21. The principle of the connection formed with the Massachusetts Missionary Society is, that said Society may annually appoint two delegates to this body, who shall be admitted to equal privileges with the members from the District Associations.

22. Gentlemen, who are admitted as honorary members, shall be allowed full liberty to take part in all deliberations; though they are not considered as entitled to vote; and it is expected they will give notice to the body, if they find it necessary to withdraw previous to the close of the session. The approbation of the Committee of Arrangements shall be obtained, before a gentleman shall be proposed to sit as an honorary member.

23. The Delegates, who the preceding year attended the meetings of foreign bodies, shall, *ex officio*, have seats as honorary members of the General Association.

24. A Committee of three shall be annually appointed, to submit to the General Association at the next meeting, a *Pastoral Address*, to excite the attention of ministers and Christians to faithful discipline in the churches, the instruction of the rising generation, the sanctification of the Sabbath, and other subjects relating to the general interests of religion. The address being approved by the General Association, shall be signed by the Moderator, and printed with the minutes. This Committee shall be chosen from the several Associations in rotation.

25. The several Associations shall have the offer of receiving, in rotation, the annual meeting of the General Association, and each one, in turn, shall appoint one of their number to preach the Associational Sermon, which shall be delivered at two o'clock, Thursday, P. M., after which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered. The narratives given by the Delegates of the several Associations concerning the state of religion and the churches, shall be given on Wednesday afternoon, and shall be presented in writing, with a view to obtain an accurate account of the principal facts, not however to prevent any more particular details which the Delegates may think expedient to add, or the Association to request. The returns, with respect to the number in the churches, etc., shall be made out according to a printed schedule of this body, and according to the numbers on the first of January past.

26. A Committee shall be appointed to receive the narratives and statements, and shall condense them into one narrative, to be submitted to the General Association and published. The written narratives shall be deposited with the Secretary.

27. A Committee shall be appointed to nominate Delegates to foreign bodies, which delegates shall, as far as practicable, be selected from the District Associations in rotation. The brethren chosen substitutes in the delegations to the several bodies in our connection, shall, at our next session be considered as Delegates to the respective bodies, if they shall not previously have taken their seats there, through the failure of their principals.

28. The Secretary shall be chosen for three years, from the close of the meeting at which the choice shall be made. He shall, *ex officio*, be the Treasurer of the General Association; and shall be allowed his own travelling expenses in attending the meetings of this Association.

A Committee shall be appointed annually, to audit the accounts, who shall report the state of the treasury, and the sum in their opinion necessary to be paid the next year by the members of the several Associations connected with this body. The Secretary shall be authorized to pay such expenses as are allowed by this Association.

29. It shall be the duty of the Delegates of the District Associations, to pay the amount of the Assessments due from their respective Associations for the past year, whether collected by them or not.

30. A Publishing Committee shall be annually appointed, to make such extracts from the minutes of the meeting, as in their judgment it will be proper to publish; procure to be printed such number of copies, with the Pastoral Address and Narrative of the State of Religion, as will give one copy to each minister of the Associations represented in this body; and such a number of copies for other bodies connected with this Association, as shall be mutually agreed upon. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to receive the publications from foreign bodies, and distribute them among the several Associations, in proportion to the tax paid by them respectively. One copy of each publication, received by the General Association, or printed by its order, shall be kept in the archives.

31. An Agent shall be appointed in Boston to transmit the Extracts of the Minutes of this General Association to other ecclesiastical bodies, and to receive their Extracts or other publications, and transmit them to the several District Associations represented in this body. And notice of his appointment and place of business, shall be inserted in the printed Extracts. He shall be entitled to a suitable compensation.

32. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to communicate proper information to the Agent in Boston, and to the Publishing Committee, for their direction.

33. Previously to the close of each meeting, the General Association shall specify a place for meeting the next year, and request some District Association to appoint a preacher to deliver the Associational Sermon. And the church of the place of meeting is desired to make preparations to celebrate the Lord's Supper during the session.

34. A *Vote* or *Resolve* to establish, alter, or annul a *standing rule* of this body, shall be read twice on different days, and may be debated at each reading. At the first reading the question shall be, Shall it be read the second time?

BY-LAWS.

1. An annual sermon shall be preached before the Association, on the subject of Home Missions, and a collection taken. The preacher shall be appointed by this body.

2. No report of the state of religion shall be read in public, unless it be approved by the Association from which it comes, or by the Committee of Arrangements of the General Association.

3. It is recommended to the several District Associations, to have their narratives on the state of religion, condensed, so as not to exceed five minutes in the time of reading.

4. The printed Minutes of this Association, shall be sufficient testimonials of the appointment of Delegates to Foreign Bodies.

5. It shall be the duty of those Delegates who attend the meetings of Foreign Bodies, whether they be Primaries or Substitutes, to certify the Secretary in writing, on or before the opening of the annual meeting next after his appointment.

6. The Minutes of this Association shall be sent to the individual members of the Associations connected with this body by mail, and the Chairman of the Committee of Publication, shall furnish a list of the names required to the Agents of the Association.

7. The Minutes of this body, forwarded to the General Association of Connecticut, shall be, according to their request, sent by mail, under the direction of the Publishing Committee.

8. The names of all the members of the Associations belonging to this body, whether with or without charge, shall be inserted in the published returns.

9. Every church without a pastor, by paying twenty-five cents, annually, to the Treasurer of the General Association, through the Treasurer of the local Association, with which said church is connected, shall be entitled to receive the Minutes of the General Association, to be forwarded in the same way as minutes are forwarded to members of the Association.

PLACE OF MEETING.

The order in which the several Associations have the offer of receiving the Annual Meeting of the General Association; Hampshire having the session of 1855.

Suffolk North,
Suffolk South,
Vineyard Sound,
Bridgewater,
Salem,
Berkshire South,
Mendon,
Andover,
Brewster,
Taunton,
Hampshire,
Essex South,
Hampshire East,
Norfolk,
Berkshire North,
Middlesex South,
Brookfield,
Old Colony,
Pilgrim,
Hampden East,
Essex North,
Hampden West,
Franklin,
Harmony,
Woburn,
Worcester North,
Middlesex Union,
Worcester Central.

SELECTION OF PREACHER.

The order in which the several Associations shall appoint one of their number to preach the Associational Sermon; Mendon appointing the preacher of 1855.

Worcester Central,
Suffolk North,
Suffolk South,
Bridgewater,
Salem,
Berkshire North,
Vineyard Sound,
Essex South,
Franklin,
Harmony,
Mendon,
Hampden East,
Brookfield,
Hampden West,
Middlesex South,
Norfolk,
Hampshire,
Hampshire East,
Worcester North,
Old Colony,
Pilgrim,
Taunton,
Middlesex Union,
Woburn,
Essex North,
Brewster,
Andover,
Berkshire South.

APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES.

At the meeting in 1856, one Delegate from each District Association will be appointed to the Body whose name stands in the opposite column. It is the privilege of each Association to nominate a Delegate.

Andover and Mendon,	Vermont.
Berkshire North and Middlesex South,	Wisconsin.
Berkshire South and Middlesex North,	Gen. Assembly, (O. S.)
Brewster and Norfolk,	Gen. Assembly, (N. S.)
Bridgewater and Old Colony,	Canada.
Brookfield,	Connecticut.
Pilgrim,	California and Oregon, and Ohio.
Essex North and Salem,	England and Wales.
Essex South and Suffolk North,	Illinois.
Franklin and Suffolk South,	Iowa.
Hampden East and Taunton,	Maine.
Hampden West and Vineyard Sound,	Michigan.
Hampshire and Woburn,	New Hampshire.
Hampshire East and Worcester Central,	New York.
Harmony and Worcester North,	Rhode Island.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

Arranged in the Alphabetical order of the several District Associations.

The columns specifying Churches, Ministers, and date of Settlement, correspond with the facts as they were supposed to exist when the last meeting of the General Association was held, June, 1855. The number of Church Members is reported for 1st January preceding. The Admissions, Removals, and Baptisms, are designed to cover the year 1854. The last column embraces both teachers and pupils who are members of Sabbath Schools and Bible Classes.

In *no* instance has any number appearing in these statistics been supplied from the returns of the previous year; the blanks exist only after strenuous efforts to fill them have failed.

1. ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854			Removed 1854.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absem	Prof	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot	Ad.	Inf	School.
Andover,	Oct. 17, 1711	Vacant,		95	282	377	40	0	1	1	2	7	0	9	0	0	150
" West,	Dec. 5, 1826	C. H. Pierce,	Oct. 9, 1850	70	158	228	30	3	0	3	3	1	0	4	0	3	200
" Theol. Sem.																	
Chelmsford,	April 27, 1824	Benjamin F. Clark,	Aug. 1, 1839	32	61	93	17	5	5	10	1	0	0	1	2	1	100
Dracut, 1st ch.	1711	W. Allen,	Stated supply.	20	44	64	10	2	0	2	2	2	0	4	0	0	60
" West,	Aug. 31, 1797	John Parsons,	Stated supply.	23	77	100	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	70
" East,	1835	—— Clark,	Stated supply.														
Lawrence, 1st ch.	Aug. 8, 1846	Vacant,		70	149	219	53	38	7	45	1	3	0	4	23	4	224
" Central ch.	Dec. 25, 1849	William C. Foster,	Jan. 16, 1852	64	166	230	25	62	12	74	2	17	0	19	50	12	242
Lowell, 1st ch.	June 6, 1826	Vacant,		108	655	763	503	8	3	11	0	13	1	14	0	0	500
" Appleton-st. c.	Dec. 2, 1831	Vacant,		78	351	429	190	3	13	16	0	4	0	4	1	1	252
" John-st. ch.	May 9, 1839	Eden B. Foster,	Feb. 3, 1853	123	362	485	28	19	6	25	4	6	0	10	8	10	400
" Kirk-st. ch.	May 21, 1845	A. Blanchard, D. D.	May 21, 1845	61	196	257	70	4	3	7	2	14	0	16	2	4	285
" High-st. ch.	Jan. 22, 1846	Vacant,		49	95	144	6	1	2	3	0	9	0	9	0	5	130
Methuen,	Oct. 29, 1729	John C. Phillips,	Dec. 25, 1839	81	160	241		1	1	2	4	4	0	8	1	1	150
North Andover,	Sept. 3, 1834	William T. Briggs,	Nov. 4, 1846	18	73	91	25	1	1	2	2	1	0	3	0	0	166
Tewksbury,	Nov. 29, 1734	Richard Tolman,	Aug. 25, 1852	65	100	165	17	1	0	1	5	2	0	7	0	1	125
Westford,	Dec 25, 1828	Thomas Wilson,	May 4, 1853	50	98	148	48	3	1	4	2	6	0	8	3	2	120
Total, 18		12		1007	3027	4034	1069	152	55	207	30	89	1	120	91	44	2974

Without Pastoral Charge.—Joseph Merrill, Isaac Hosford, S. W. Hanks, Lowell; S. C. Jackson, D D., John L. Taylor, Prof. E. P. Barrows, Andover; M. Badger, D. D, New York.

2. BERKSHIRE NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854			Removed 1854.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Adams, North,	April 19, 1827	Robert Crawford,	Aug. 20, 1840	45	119	164	46	2	2	4	5	5	0	10	1	0	120
" South,	Jan. 1, 1840	J. Jay Dana,	June 15, 1848	23	68	91	33	2	7	9	5	3	0	8	0	0	50
Becket, North,	Sept. 25, 1849	C. H. Norton,	April 30, 1851	42	56	98	8	0	9	9	1	4	0	5	0	0	100
Dalton,	Feb. 16, 1785	T. A. Hazen,	Oct. 11, 1854	16	44	60	4	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	1	50
Hinsdale,	Dec. 17, 1795	Perkins K. Clark,	June 16, 1852	72	130	202	14	2	6	8	4	8	0	12	0	3	189
Lanesboro',	March 28, 1764	Chauncy Eddy,	Aug. 23, 1853	14	32	46	6	2	1	3	2	0	0	2	0	0	40
Peru,	June, 1770	Joseph Knight,	July 6, 1836	63	97	160		4	2	6	2	4	0	6	0	0	135
Pittsfield, 1st,	Feb. 7, 1764	John Todd, D. D.	Feb. 16, 1842	195	431	626		14	8	22	7	18	1	26	6	21	275
" 2d (colored,)	Feb. 20, 1846	Samuel Harrison,	Aug. 13, 1850	6	6	12	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	1	50
" South,	Nov. 12, 1850	Samuel Harris,	March 12, 1851	65	136	201	10	18	16	34	5	6	0	11	9	10	175
Richmond,	1765	C. S. Renshaw,	Nov. 16, 1853	28	57	85	10	0	5	5	4	6	0	10	0	0	80
Washington,	1760	Eber L. Clark,	Feb. 1853	6	21	27	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	40
Williamstown, 1st,	1765	A. Peters, D. D. / H. R. Hoisington,	Nov. 10, 1841 / Stated supply	93	182	275	56	6	5	11	5	9	0	14	3	2	125
" South,	1836	Vacant,		12	24	36	3	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	
" College,	June 15, 1834	Mark Hopkins, D. D.	Sept. 15, 1836	92	0	92	70	0	5	5	0	6	0	6	0	0	0
Windsor,	1722	T. W. Duncan,	Stated supply.	24	34	58	14	1	2	3	1	9	0	10	0	0	80
Canaan, 4 corn., N. Y.		John Wickes,	Dec. 6, 1848	26	54	80	20	2	1	3	2	4	0	6	0	2	80
Total, 17		17		822	1491	2313	297	53	69	122	46	90	2	138	19	40	1589

Without Pastoral Charge.—Heman Humphrey, D. D., and W. H. Tyler, Pittsfield; Dwight W. Marsh, Missionary, Mosul, Turkey; H. A. Wilder, Missionary, South Africa; Marshall D. Sanders, Missionary, Ceylon; Russel S. Cook, Sec. Am. Tract Soc., New York; John Tatlock, N. H. Griffin, and I. N. Lincoln, Professors in Williams College.

3. BERKSHIRE SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Alford,	Aug. 13, 1846	Vacant,		8	18	26	5	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	25
Becket, 1st ch.	Dec. 28, 1758	Zolva Whitmore,	Feb. 18, 1852	30	67	97	26	1	4	5	2	3	0	5	1	3	85
Egremont,	Nov. 22, 1816	James B. Cleaveland,	July 12, 1855	23	56	79	17	1	4	5	2	0	0	2	1	0	50
Great Barrington,	Dec. 28, 1743	Steph. S. N. Greeley,	Feb. 4, 1852	65	167	232	39	1	8	9	6	3	0	9	1	2	346
" Housatonic,	June 18, 1841	Edward Giddings,	Stated supply	36	72	108	70	0	0	0	1	6	0	7	0	2	62
Lee,	May 25, 1780	Nahum Gale,	Sept. 1, 1853	122	221	343	45	3	9	12	8	10	0	18	2	7	170
Lenox,	1769	Edmund K. Alden,	Nov. 15, 1854	76	160	236	25	0	7	7	8	7	2	17	0	5	175
Monterey,	Sept. 25, 1750	Winthrop H. Phelps,	Dec. 27, 1854	30	56	86	12	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	0	90
New Marlboro', 1st ch.	Oct. 31, 1744	Richard T. Searle,	Sept. 28, 1852	40	82	122	34	0	0	0	3	3	0	6	0	1	125
" Southfield	April 25, 1794	Otis Lombard,	June 14, 1849	17	43	60	15	0	1	1	5	2	0	7	0	0	100
Otis,	Sept. 14, 1795	Vacant,		24	57	81	9	0	1	1	1	2	0	3	0	0	0
Sandisfield,	Feb. 24, 1756	Aaron Pickett,	Jan. 23, 1851	53	138	191	50	2	0	2	3	6	0	9	1	2	155
Sheffield,	Oct. 22, 1735	George E. Hill,	May 17, 1855	27	93	120	50	6	1	7	4	3	0	7	1	0	122
Stockbridge,	1734	Alfred H. Dashiell, Jr	Dec. 11, 1850	83	189	272	52	1	1	2	3	4	0	7	0	11	130
" Curtisville,	Dec. 22, 1824	George Uhler,	Stated supply.	27	60	87	48	0	2	2	2	0	0	2	0	2	50
W. Stockbridge, Cen.	June 4, 1789	Lewis Pennell,	Dec. 6, 1845	30	53	83	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	50
" Village,	Dec. 25, 1833	Vacant,		39	60	99	47	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	30
Austerlitz, N. Y.	March 21, 1792	Samuel Utley,	June 17, 1848	16	28	44	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	45
Total, 18		15		746	1620	2366	553	15	38	53	51	59	2	112	7	36	1810

Without Pastoral Charge.—James Bradford, Sheffield; John C. Brigham, D. D., Sec. Am. Bible Soc, New York; David D. Field, D. D, Bancroft Fowler, and Noah Sheldon, Stockbridge; Hugh Gibson, and Rufus Pomeroy, Otis; Thomas A. Hall, (Teacher,) Lee; Josiah W. Turner, Dist. Sec. Am. Tract Soc., Portland, Me.; Elias Clark, Egremont.

4. BREWSTER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Int.	School.
Chatham,	June 15, 1710	Noadiah S. Dickinson	Dec 29, 1852	39	113	152	6	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	1	4	175
Dennis, South,	June 16, 1807	Isaiah C. Thacher,	Dec 21, 1852	39	90	129	12	0	0	0	1	1	2	4	0	2	150
Eastham,	1676	Ebenezer Chace,	April 29, 1853	13	38	51	2	6	0	6	1	1	0	2	0	0	35
Harwich,	Nov. 12, 1744	Moses H. Wilder,	Oct. 1851	34	76	110	7	0	0	0	3	0	3	6	0	4	100
Hyannis,	Jan. 3, 1854	John U. Parsons,	Stated supply.	4	11	15	1	4	0	4	1	0	0	1	0	1	75
Orleans,	1719	Jacob White,	June 1, 1841	36	104	140	12	3	0	3	6	0	0	6	3	1	275
Provincetown,	1714	O. Myrick,	Feb. 18, 1846	9	34	43	1	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	65
Sandwich, Puritan ch.	March 21, 1847	Giles Pease,	Jan. 23, 1850	12	28	40	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Truro,	Nov. 1, 1711	Edward W. Noble,	Dec. 26, 1849	34	70	104	4	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	3	130
" North,	May 22, 1842	Vacant,		6	15	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Wellfleet, 1st ch.	1730	George Denham,	May, 4, 1853	77	128	205	13	0	2	2	3	1	3	7	0	1	200
" South,	Dec. 4, 1833	Enoch Sanford,	Aug. 1854	52	80	132	23	4	0	4	4	5	2	11	3	1	130
Yarmouth,	1637	Abel K. Packard,	Dec. 16, 1851	32	84	116	16	15	1	16	1	0	0	1	4	2	120
" West,	Sept. 30, 1840	John H. Wells,	March 5, 1851	7	40	47	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Total, 14		13		394	911	1305	99	34	7	41	23	8	10	41	11	21	1585

Without Pastoral Charge.—Nathaniel Cogswell, Yarmouth; E. Pratt, Brewster; Cyrus Stone, Boston.

5. BRIDGEWATER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Bridgewater,—																	
Trin. ch.	Oct. 17, 1821	David Brigham,	April 23, 1845	32	63	95	5	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	125
" Scotland ch.	July 1, 1836	Vacant,		8	22	30	5	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	30
E. Bridgewater,—																	
Trin. ch.	Nov. 14, 1849	Baalis Sanford,	April 3, 1850	16	20	36	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	86
Lakeville,	Oct. 6, 1725	Calvin Chapman,	Oct 22, 1851	51	82	133	15	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	0	0	90
Middleboro',	Dec. 26, 1694	I. W. Putnam, D. D.	Oct. 28, 1835	50	118	168	33	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	3	120
Total, 5	4			157	305	462	60	0	3	3	5	2	0	7	0	4	451

Without Pastoral Charge.—Otis Thompson, North Abington; Ebenezer Gay, Stetson Raymond, Bridgewater; Enoch Sanford, Raynham.

6. BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Brimfield,	1725	Jason Morse,	Dec. 12, 1849	61	165	226	33	6	2	8	2	0	0	2	0	0	180
Brookfield,	April 15, 1756	Jesse K. Bragg,	Sept. 14, 1852	42	93	135	18	0	9	9	3	3	0	6	0	0	120
Charlton,	April, 1760	John Haven,	June, 1855	22	70	92	17	3	1	4	2	0	0	2	2	4	125
Dana, Centre,	Sept. 28, 1852	John Keep,	Nov. 15, 1853	7	14	21	0	1	2	3	0	1	0	1	0	3	70
Dudley,	1732	Henry Pratt,	Oct. 25, 1854	34	87	121	6	1	1	2	3	2	0	5	1	2	125
Hardwick,	Nov. 17, 1736	Martyn Tupper,	June 23, 1852	24	59	83	25	1	0	1	5	4	0	9	0	2	110
Holland,	Sept. 12, 1765	Horace R. Grannis,	Stated supply.	12	27	39		0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	50
New Braintree,	April 18, 1754	James T. Hyde,	June 21, 1853	20	77	97	23	0	1	1	4	7	0	11	0	0	100
North Brookfield, 1st,	May 28, 1732	{ Thomas Snell, D. D. { Christop'r Cushing,	June 27, 1798 Sept. 17, 1851	86	182	268	12	1	12	13	4	52	0	56	1	8	300
" Union,	June 6, 1854	L. F. Waldo,	June 7, 1854	26	41	67	1	8	59	67	0	0	0	0	2	0	130
Oakham,	Aug. 28, 1767	James Kimball,	Dec. 25, 1832	71	148	219	49	0	3	3	7	4	0	11	0	2	200
Southbridge,	Sept. 16, 1801	{ Eber Carpenter, { Isaac G. Bliss,	Dec. 1, 1835 Stated supply.	53	140	193	60	2	10	12	2	20	0	22	2	1	200
Spencer,	May 17, 1744	S. G. Dodd,	Aug. 23, 1854	30	83	113	18	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	3	200
Sturbridge,	Sept. 29, 1736	Vacant,		91	193	284	64	23	5	28	0	4	0	4	6	5	175
Ware,	May 9, 1751	S. W. Banister,	May 23, 1855	43	88	131	25	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	3	135
" Village,	May 12, 1826	D. B. Bradford,	Stated supply.	81	170	251	39	33	20	53	5	13	0	18	11	13	286
Warren,	1743	Stephen S. Smith,	April 13, 1854	51	114	165	22	11	6	17	3	6	3	12	6	3	200
West Brookfield,	Oct. 1717	Swift Byington,	Nov. 17, 1852	100	150	250	50	12	4	16	3	6	0	9	6	6	106
Total, 18		19		854	1901	2755	462	102	136	238	45	125	3	173	37	55	2812

Without Pastoral Charge.—David Perry, Brookfield; John Cunningham, Southbridge.

7. ESSEX NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms		Sabbath School
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Amesbury, Mills,	Dec. 6, 1831	Nath. Lasell,	Stated supply.	64	162	226		12	2	14	2	1	0	3	9	2	150
" West,	May 19, 1726	Leander Thompson,	Sept. 20, 1854	53	128	181	25	2	2	4	7	1	0	8	1	1	175
" and Salisbury,	Oct. 14, 1835	James M. Bacon,	June 25, 1851	16	48	64	6	0	0	0	1	0	4	5	0	0	90
Boxford, West,	Dec. 9, 1732	Calvin E. Park,	Oct. 14, 1846	28	48	76	6	0	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	1	75
Bradford,	Dec. 27, 1682	James T. McCollom,	Jan. 25, 1854	64	106	170	12	4	3	7	7	2	0	9	1	2	225
Georgetown,	Oct. 4, 1732	{ Isaac Braman, John M. Prince,	June 7, 1799 Feb. 3, 1847	50	108	158	9	8	2	10	1	2	0	3	4	4	225
Groveland,	June 7, 1728	{ G. B. Perry, D. D. Daniel W. Pickard,	Sept. 28, 1814 Sept. 28, 1853	56	116	172	5	26	6	32	4	2	0	6	17	0	150
Haverhill, Centre,	Aug. 28, 1833	Benj. F. Hosford,	May 21, 1845	66	125	191	16	7	7	14	4	0	0	4	5	5	160
" East,	1743	Wales Lewis,	July 18, 1849	9	18	27	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
" North,	Nov. 4, 1730	Charles Tenney,	Stated supply.	24	59	83	17	14	6	20	1	1	0	2	12	9	75
" West,	Oct. 1735	Asa Farwell,	April 21, 1853	39	62	101	14	10	2	12	1	8	0	9	6	0	165
" Winter-st. ch	May 13, 1839	Leonard S. Parker,	June 1, 1853	40	50	90	10	1	5	6	1	0	0	1	1	0	185
*Ipswich, 1st ch.	1634	{ D. T. Kimball, Robert Southgate,	Oct 8, 1806 July 24, 1851														
" Linebrook,	Nov. 15, 1849	J. W. Neally,	Stated supply.	26	26	52	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Newbury, 1st ch.	June 16, 1635	L. Withington, D. D.	Oct. 31, 1816	43	120	163	12	12	0	12	6	2	0	8	3	5	150
" Byfield ch.	Nov. 17, 1706	Francis V. Tenney,	March 7, 1850	44	68	112	30	5	4	9	2	5	0	7	4	0	135
Newburyp't, North ch	Jan. 18, 1768	L. F. Dimmick, D. D.	Dec. 8, 1819	67	278	345	6	1	6	7	7	0	0	7	0	8	175
" 4th ch.	May 30, 1793	Randolph Campbell,	Oct. 12, 1837	70	150	220	12	5	0	5	0	8	0	8	0	2	175
" Belleville,	April, 1808	Daniel T. Fiske,	Aug 18, 1847	56	118	174	6	2	7	9	6	4	1	11	0	1	180
" Whitefield ch.	Jan. 1, 1850	Samuel J. Spaulding,	June 30, 1851	27	99	126	18	10	11	21	4	6	0	10	4	2	198
Rowley,	Dec. 4, 1639	John Pike,	Nov. 18, 1840	45	110	155	0	19	0	19	5	0	0	5	13	7	100
Salisbury, Hill,	Nov. 19, 1718	Benj. Sawyer,	Stated supply.														
W. Newbury, 1st ch.	Oct. 26, 1698	Vacant,		15	35	50	3	0	0	0	2			2		0	65
" 2d ch.	Sept. 1, 1731	Vacant,		42	103	145	16	0	1	1	5	4	1	10	0	0	117
Total, 23		24		944	2137	3081	238	138	66	204	67	47	6	120	80	49	3080

Without Pastoral Charge.—N. Munroe, Sec. Am. S. S, Union for N. E, Bradford; J. Q. A. Edgell, Agent for Western Colleges, Andover; J. P. Cowles, Principal of Young Ladies Seminary, Ipswich; Albert Paine, West Amesbury; Abijah Cross, Haverhill; Willard Holbrook, Rowley.

* Reported in Essex South, of which Mr. Southgate is a member.

8. ESSEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms		Sabbath School
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad	Inf.	
Beverly, Washington-street chh.	Feb. 8, 1837	A. B. Rich,	Dec. 8, 1852	32	95	127		0	2	2	4	4	0	8	0	0	120
Danvers, 3d ch.	Dec. 5, 1844	James Fletcher,	Jan. 20, 1849	30	56	86	4	8	3	11	3	3	0	6	2	3	230
Essex,	Aug. 12, 1683	Robert Crowell, D. D.	Aug. 10, 1814	50	95	145	4	1	0	1	4	0	0	4	0	1	150
Gloucester, Harbor,	Nov. 17, 1829	Vacant,		27	118	145		24		24	3			3	4	5	115
" Lanesville,	Aug. 25, 1830	N. Richardson,	Dec. 14, 1854	14	29	43		0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	127
" West,	March 23, 1829	Levi Wheaton,	Jan. 23, 1850	10	24	34	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	70
Hamilton,	Oct. 12, 1714	J. H. Mordough,	June 12, 1850	53	103	156	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150
Ipswich, 1st ch.	1634	*D T. Kimball,	Oct. 8, 1806														
		Robert Southgate,	July 24, 1851	47	155	202		9	3	12	6	5	1	12	3	0	187
" South ch.	Aug. 22, 1747	Daniel Fitz,	Jan. 28, 1826	43	169	212	20	6	5	11	3	4	0	7	1	6	150
Lynnfield Centre,	1715	Uriah W. Condit,	Oct. 23, 1850	13	48	61	4	2	0	2					2		80
Middleton,	Oct. 27, 1729	Vacant,		56	125	181	30	1	0	1							77
Rockport, 1st ch.	Feb. 13, 1755	Wakefield Gale,	May 4, 1836	130	204	334	30	12	3	15	8	3	0	11	1	8	300
" 2d ch.	1855	David Bremner,	May 2, 1855	0	0	0	0										
Salem, Crombie-st.	May 3, 1832	James M. Hoppin,	March 27, 1850	55	182	237	21	7	1	8	0	1	0	1	2	0	150
" Howard-st.	Dec. 29, 1803	Ephraim W. Allen,	Sept. 30, 1852	20	94	114	19	9	4	13	2	0	2	4	1	5	175
" 3d ch.	1735	B. Emerson, D. D.	April 24, 1805														
		Israel E Dwinell,	Nov. 22, 1849	78	262	340	43	6	4	10	8	3	6	17	1	4	466
South Danvers, 2d ch.	Jan. 25, 1713	James O Murray,	1854	66	168	234	15	0	0	0	4	2	0	6	0	0	230
Total, 17		16		724	1927	2651	212	85	28	113	45	25	9	79	17	36	2777

* A member of Essex North Association.

9. FRANKLIN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Ashfield,	Feb. 22, 1765	Wm. H. Gilbert,	Dec. 3, 1851	68	117	185	15	2	2	4	4	1	1	6	0	4	250
Bernardston,	Jan. 13, 1824	Vacant,		25	35	60	6				1	6	0	7			60
Buckland,	Oct. 1785	Asa B. Smith,	March 22, 1848	64	109	173	5	0	0	0	5	4	0	9	0	12	200
Charlemont,	June 6, 1788	Matthew Kingman,	June 6, 1854	32	61	93	10	1	1	2	4	1	0	5	0	1	134
" East,	Aug. 6, 1845	Aaron Foster,	Feb. 13, 1850	24	56	80	10	3	0	3	1	3	0	4	0	1	125
Coleraine,	1750	L. L. Langstroth,	Stated supply.	12	37	49	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Conway,	July 14, 1768	George M. Adams,	Sept. 18, 1851	104	215	319	41	5	7	12	6	10	2	18	4	6	300
Deerfield,	June 2, 1835	Vacant,		23	49	72	8	0	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	1	90
" South,	June 30, 1818	Vacant,		25	53	78	11	0	2	2	2	6	0	8	0	2	102
" Monument ch.	Jan. 25, 1848	David A. Strong,	March 21, 1849	27	52	79	5	2	5	7	2	1	0	3	2	2	100
Erving,	Sept. 19, 1832	Augustine Root,	Stated supply	8	11	19	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	48
Gill,	1793	Edward F. Brooks,	June 25, 1851	9	42	51	2	2	5	7	2	0	0	2	2	0	60
Greenfield, 1st,	March 28, 1754	A. Chandler, D. D.	Oct. 24, 1832	13	37	50	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	85
" 2d,	Jan. 15, 1817	Vacant,		64	111	175		0	2	2	0	8	0	8			90
Hawley, East,	Sept. 6, 1793	Henry Seymour,	Oct 3, 1849	30	59	89	10	3	1	4	3	5	0	8	0	6	100
" West,	Aug. 24, 1825	John Eastman,	Nov. 11, 1847	21	26	47	4	0	1	1						2	90
Heath,	April 15, 1785	Edward B. Emerson,	Jan. 24, 1855	28	79	107	11	0	0	0	4	2	0	6	0	3	165
Montague,	1752	James H. Merrill,	Nov. 26, 1839	48	107	155	10	3	1	4	1	2	0	3	3	3	170
Northfield,	Nov. 30, 1825																
Orange,	Sept. 23, 1846	David Peck,	Oct. 13, 1852	27	62	89	6	5	7	12	1	1	0	2	3	0	140
" North,	Aug. 16, 1843																
Rowe,	April 10, 1833	Jeremiah Pomroy,	Stated supply.	7	20	27					2	0	0	2	0	4	140
Shelburne,	1770	{ T. Packard, D. D. / { R. S. Billings,	Feb. 20, 1799 / June 6, 1855	38	62	100	1										
" Falls,	March 6, 1850	Vacant,		33	55	88	29	0	4	4	1	1	0	2	0	0	100
Shutesbury,	Oct. 27, 1742	James Tisdale,	Stated supply	11	31	42	7	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0	60
Sunderland,	1718	Sereno D. Clark,	May 31, 1853	89	121	210	12	0	5	5	4	8	0	12	0	4	130
Warwick,	June 10, 1829	Henry M. Bridge,	May 16, 1855	14	33	47	7	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	2	80
Wendell,	Nov. 30, 1744	S. B. Gilbert,	Nov. 22, 1854	23	49	72	20	6	2	8	1	0	0	1	3	5	115
Total, 28		22		867	1689	2556	245	32	49	81	48	63	3	114	17	62	2934

Without Pastoral Charge.—Benjamin F. Clark, Sunderland; Horatio Flagg, Coleraine; John Ferguson, Whately; Roger C. Hatch, Warwick.

10. HAMPDEN EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Int.	
Chicopee, 1st,	Sept. 27, 1752	Eli B. Clark,	Oct. 16, 1839	30	50	80	6	0	6	6	2	5	0	7	0	0	75
" 2d,	July 3, 1830	R. B. Thurston,	Stated supply	36	86	122	45	2	2	4	0	7	1	8	0	2	110
" 3d,	Oct. 16, 1834	George A. Oviatt,	Oct. 15, 1850			228	0	7	12	19	4	16	0	20	2	3	230
Longmeadow,	Oct. 17, 1716	John W. Harding,	June 1, 1850	59	125	184	13	2	0	2	1	1	1	3	0	5	125
" East,	April 22, 1829	J. R. Brown,	Dec. 13, 1854	27	77	104	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	50
Ludlow, 1st,	1789	J. W. Tuck,	Sept. 6, 1843	58	88	146	24	5	0	5	3	4	0	7	3	2	200
" 2d,	June 6, 1847	Vacant,		3	8	11	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Monson,	June 23, 1762	{ Alfred Ely, D. D.	Dec. 17, 1806														
		{ T. E. Colton,	March 28, 1855	118	200	318	68	1	1	2	3	3	0	6	0	4	200
Palmer, 1st,	1730	Vacant,		18	70	88	12	0	0	0	1	5	0	6	0	0	65
" 2d,	April 1, 1847	J. Vaill, D. D.	Dec. 7, 1854	23	47	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	89
South Hadley Falls,	Aug. 12, 1824	Vacant,		22	52	74	0	1	1	2	1	4	0	5	0	1	123
Springfield, 1st,	May 6, 1645	{ S. Osgood, D. D.	Jan. 5, 1809														
		{ H. M. Parsons,	Nov. 15, 1854	78	226	304	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	175
" Olivet,	1833	G. D. F. Folsom,	May 23, 1855	41	104	145	7	3	3	6	0	0	2	2	0	4	125
" South,	March 23, 1842	S. G. Buckingham,	June 16, 1847	106	184	290	35	17	25	42	4	17	0	21	7	12	200
" North,	Oct. 28, 1846	R. H. Seeley,	March 1, 1849	48	92	140	10	4	16	20	3	13	0	16	3	4	150
" Indian Orchard,	March 28, 1848	L. H Cone,	Stated supply.	5	7	12	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	54
Wilbraham, North,	June, 1741	John Bowers,	Dec. 13, 1837	67	117	184	58	0	0	0	4	3	7	14	0	0	120
" South,	1785	J. C. Houghton,	April 11, 1855	29	71	100	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	50
Total, 18		17		768	1604	2600	358	42	67	109	27	79	11	117	15	41	2141

Without Pastoral Charge.—C. B. Kittredge, Monson; S. Hine, Westboro'; F. A. Barton, Indian Orchard; W. E. Dixon, Ellington; Wm. Wright, South Windsor, Ct.; P. H. Snow, Baltimore, Md.; W. S. Blanchard.

11. HAMPDEN WEST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Agawam,	Sept. 1, 1819	Ralph Perry,	Dec. 28, 1847	33	74	107	12	0	1	1	2	5	0	7	0	1	80
" Feeding Hills,	Nov. 10, 1762	S. D. Ward,	Oct. 18, 1853	26	56	82	16	0	1	1	1	2	0	3	0	1	60
Blandford,	1735	Charles J. Hinsdale,	Jan. 20, 1836	40	86	126	24	4	1	5	3	1	0	4	0	2	120
Chester,	1765	David Breed,	Feb. 17, 1853	24	41	65	10	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	2	70
" Factories,	Nov. 13, 1844	Vacant,		9	17	26	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Granville, East,	1747	T. M. Cooley, D. D.	Feb. 3, 1796	26	63	89	8	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	90
" West,	1786	Francis Norwood,	Stated supply.	22	46	68	5	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	0	2	65
Holyoke, 1st,	Dec. 4, 1799	Simeon Miller,	May 7, 1846	21	38	59	10	6	0	6	1	1	0	2	3	0	75
" 2d,	May 24, 1849	Richard Knight,	April 20, 1853	31	42	73	20	9	21	30	2	3	0	5	2	2	100
Huntington,	Aug. 26, 1846	Townsend Walker,	Dec. 27, 1853	25	38	63	2	3	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	110
Montgomery,	June 30, 1797	Vacant,		8	16	24											55
Southwick,	Aug. 16, 1773	James A. Clark,		25	67	92	19	12	3	15	1	1	0	2	8	0	
Tolland,	1737	Franklin D. Austin,	June 23, 1853	32	67	99	6	0	4	4	4	1	0	5	0	2	95
Westfield,	Aug. 27, 1697	Emerson Davis, D. D.	June 1, 1836	120	291	411	15	3	16	19	6	17	0	23	2	8	315
West Springfield,	June, 1698	Theron H. Hawks,	March 7, 1855	66	141	207	9	1	0	1	4	6	0	10	0	0	226
" Mettineague,	Jan. 10, 1850	Sidney Bryant,	Stated supply.	13	32	45	22	2	5	7	0	3	0	3	0	1	65
Total, 16		14		521	1115	1636	184	41	55	96	29	41	0	70	15	21	1561

Without Pastoral Charge.—Henry Cooley, Springfield.

12. HAMPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Chesterfield,	Oct. 30, 1764	Vacant,		16	49	65	5	2	2	4	0	1	0	1	2		100
Cummington, 1st,	July 7, 1779	Edward Clarke,	Stated supply.	22	46	68	17	1	0	1	4	6	0	10	0	0	75
" Village,	1838	Theodore J. Clark,	Oct. 11, 1842	28	44	72	7	0	0	0	4	4	7	15	0	0	125
" West.	1840	Joseph B. Baldwin,	Sept. 1, 1841	25	50	75	19	2	1	3	4	11	0	15	1	1	40
Easthampton, 1st,	Nov. 17, 1785	{ P. Williston, D. D.	Aug 13, 1789														
" Payson ch	Dec 28, 1852	{ Aaron M. Colton,	March 2, 1853			276		48	5	53	7	4	0	11	12	10	160
Goshen,	Dec. 21, 1780	Rollin S. Stone,	Dec. 29, 1852	48	92	140		8	4	12	2	5	0	7	2	7	135
Hatfield,	1670	Thomas H. Rood,	Jan. 31, 1855	24	63	87	1	3	4	7	3	0	3	6	3	1	75
Huntington,	1778	Vacant,		101	156	257	21	1	0	1	3	6	0	9	1	5	
Middlefield,	Nov. 18, 1783	John H. M. Leland,	June 13, 1854	50	79	129	32	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	100
Northampton, 1st,	June 18, 1661	Moody Harrington,	June 28, 1854	20	31	51	2	1	4	5	1	3	0	4	0	3	45
" Edwards ch.	Jan. 30, 1833	J. P. Cleaveland, D.D.	April 20, 1853	180	360	540	15	3	3	6	5	9	0	14	1	15	350
Plainfield,	Aug. 13, 1789	Gordon Hall,	June 2, 1852	83	162	245	20	10	13	23	3	9	0	12	3	6	250
Southampton,	June 8, 1743	Vacant,		42	94	136	23	0	3	3	6	4	0	10	0	1	150
Westhampton,	Sept. 1, 1773	Stephen C. Strong,	April 12, 1854	160	189	349	50	7	11	18	7	7	0	14	1	10	285
Whately, 1st,	Aug. 21, 1771	Andrew Bigelow,	March 2, 1854	68	104	172	10	14	0	14	5	6	0	11	0	15	200
" 2d,	Nov. 10, 1842	C. N. Seymour,	March 9, 1853	63	85	148		2	0	2	5	0	0	5	0	3	140
Williamsburg,	1773	Jonathan S. Judd,	Oct. 12, 1843	30	49	79	6	1	1	2	2	3	0	5	0	3	70
" Haydenville.	March 1, 1851	Edward W. Root,	Oct. 23, 1850	96	149	245	23	4	5	9	3	8	0	11	3	4	175
Worthington,	April 1, 1771	E. W. Cook,	June 14, 1854	24	50	74	4	17	4	21	3	2	0	5	12	2	100
		John H. Bisbee,	Dec. 19, 1838	78	129	207	16	2	2	4	7	3	0	10	1	3	296
Total, 20		18		1158	1981	3415	271	127	62	189	74	91	10	176	43	91	2871

Without Pastoral Charge.—E. B. Wright, Chaplain to Almshouse, Monson; M. E. White, O. Warner, Northampton; E. Clapp, S. Lyman, Easthampton; J. H. Temple, Framingham; Samuel W. Barnum, Stamford, Ct.; John C. Thompson, Holyoke; Jared O. Knapp, North Cornwall, Ct.; Edward Sweet; D. B. Bradford.

13. HAMPSHIRE EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Amherst, West,	Nov. 7, 1739	Edward S. Dwight,	July 19, 1854	113	227	340	42	2	10	12	6	13	0	19	0	11	150
" East,	Nov. 11, 1782	C. L. Woodworth,	Nov. 7, 1849	49	117	166	12	2	4	6	3	2	0	5	2	4	200
" South,	Oct. 14, 1824	James L. Merrick,	Jan. 31, 1849	33	88	121	6	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	2	100
" North,	Nov. 15, 1826	George E. Fisher,	Sept. 16, 1852	90	145	235	11	3	15	18	4	3	0	7	1	7	150
" College ch.	March 7, 1826	Wm. A. Stearns, D. D.	Nov. 21, 1854	477	28	505	446	2	13	15	0	5	0	5	2	0	0
Belchertown,	1739	Henry B. Blake,	June 26, 1855	129	279	408	55	1	0	1	8	8	1	17	0	2	300
Enfield,	1790	Robert McEwen,	Feb. 16, 1842	144	232	376	40	1	4	5	8	2	0	10	0	3	200
Granby,	1762	Henry Mills,	Nov. 23, 1854	89	154	243	37	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	3	225
Greenwich,	1749	Edward P. Blodgett,	July 5, 1843	42	98	140	17	1	1	2	3	3	0	6	1	3	190
Hadley, 1st par.	1659	Rowland Ayres,	Jan. 12, 1848	65	113	178	40	1	1	2	5	2	0	7	0	4	200
" 2d par.	1831	Warren H. Beaman,	Sept. 15, 1841	40	92	132	12	3	1	4	0	2	0	2	1	5	140
" 3d par.	July 15, 1841	J. Woodbridge, D. D.	Feb. 16, 1842	31	58	89	0	0	2	2	4	1	0	5	0	1	
Leverett,	1784	David Eastman,	Feb. 12, 1840	34	65	99	10	1	0	1	0	3	0	3	0	7	80
Pelham,	1837	Vacant,		12	35	47		0	0	0	4	3	0	7	0	0	80
Prescott,	1823	Vacant,		8	20	28	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
South Hadley, 1st par.	1733	Edward Y. Swift,	Nov. 3, 1852	81	169	250	64	3	6	9	1	5	0	6	0	5	120
Total, 16		14		1447	1920	3357	800	20	57	77	52	54	1	107	7	57	2185

Without Pastoral Charge.—J. W. Curtis, Hadley; Edward Hitchcock, D. D., Amherst.

14. HARMONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Blackstone,	April 15, 1841	Vacant,		15	40	55	33	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	100
" Millville,	Nov. 1836	Vacant,															
Douglas,	Nov. 11, 1847	Vacant,		11	34	45	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
" East,	June 12, 1834	Joshua L. Maynard,	July 7, 1852	44	100	144	12	18	9	27	3	8	0	11	9	3	240
Grafton,	Dec. 28, 1731	Thomas C. Biscoe,	July 18, 1838	98	185	283	38	4	2	6	2	8	0	10	2	2	300
Millbury, 1st ch.	Oct. 10, 1747	Nathaniel Beach,	Nov. 22, 1837	41	130	171	25	0	2	2	3	1	0	4	0	4	150
" 2d ch.	Aug. 23, 1827	Leverett Griggs,	Sept. 22, 1847	83	156	239	33	0	6	6	4	15	0	19	2	5	200
" Grass Hill,	May 27, 1837	Vacant,		12	39	51	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northbridge,	June 20, 1782	William Bates,	Nov. 5, 1845	29	61	90	15	0	0	0	0	7	0	7	0	3	100
" Whitinsville,	July 31, 1834	Lewis F. Clark,	June 1, 1841	36	101	137	18	0	8	8	3	10	0	13	0	5	225
Sutton,	1720	George Lyman,	Nov. 12, 1851	57	136	193	30	5	3	8	2	6	1	9	4	3	140
Upton,	1735	William Warren,	Nov. 14, 1849	82	185	267	46	13	3	16	9	0	1	10	6	6	367
Uxbridge,	Jan. 17, 1731	Jacob J. Abbott,	April 3, 1850	29	126	155	31	16	2	18	3	6	0	9	9	3	239
Webster,	June 13, 1838	S. C. Kendall,	March 29, 1854	41	86	127	37	1	7	8	1	6	1	8	0	0	110
Total, 14		10		578	1379	1957	349	57	42	99	31	70	3	104	32	34	2321

Without Pastoral Charge.—M. Burdett, Philadelphia, Pa.; Sidney Holman, West Millbury; John Orcutt; David Holman, Douglas.

15. MENDON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms	Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Dover,	Oct. 23, 1839	Joseph Haskell,	Dec 25, 1850	16	25	41	10	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Foxboro',	Nov. 25, 1779	Edmund Y. Garrette,	April 12, 1854	30	82	112	8	0	5	5	0	2	2	4	0	5	130
Franklin,	Feb. 16, 1738	Samuel Hunt,	Dec. 4, 1850	58	139	197		1	4	5	3	1	0	4	0	3	200
Holliston,	Nov. 20, 1728	Joshua T. Tucker,	June 6, 1849	66	205	271	12	7	12	19	4	3	0	7	2	11	300
Mansfield,	Oct. 29, 1838	Mortimer Blake,	Dec. 4, 1839	29	48	77	11	0	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	3	150
Medfield,	Feb. 7, 1828	Thomas T. Richmond,	Oct. 26, 1842	23	54	77		1	3	4	4	1	0	5	0	2	
Medway, 1st,	1714	John O. Means,	Dec. 3, 1851	35	86	121		1	4	5	2	1	0	3	0	4	175
" 2d,	Oct. 4, 1750	Jacob Ide, D. D.	Nov. 2, 1814	56	119	175	34	6	3	9	7	4	0	11	2	6	150
" Village,	Sept. 7, 1838	David Sanford,	Oct. 3, 1838	51	133	184	25	5	7	12	2	7	0	9	4	12	175
Milford,	April 15, 1741	James T. Woodbury.	July 15, 1852	55	105	160	31	13	10	13	2	5	0	7	11	14	250
Walpole,	Nov. 13, 1826	Edwin H. Nevin, D.D.															
Wrentham, 1st,	April 13, 1692	Wm. L. Ropes,	Sept. 14, 1853	51	171	222	52	0	3	3	6	13	0	19	0	1	175
" North,	June 16, 1798	John Dwight,	June 23, 1853	11	24	35	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	50
Total, 13	13			481	1191	1672	185	35	55	90	32	38	2	72	20	61	1795

Without Pastoral Charge.—Thomas Williams, Providence, R. I.; Calvin Hitchcock, Wrentham; Caleb Kimball, Medway Village; Charles Simmons, North Wrentham; A. H. Reed, Mendon; D. J. Poor, Gorham, Me.; T. D. P. Stone, Norwich, Con.; T. D. Southworth and S. Harding, Auburndale; Edward Pratt, City Missionary, New York.

16. MIDDLESEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854			Removed 1854.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School
Ashland,	Jan. 1835	Wm. M. Thayer,	June 20, 1849	45	83	128	31	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	2	225
Concord,	June 5, 1826	Luther H. Angier,	Pastor elect.			109		7	1	8					7		80
Framingham,	Oct. 8, 1771	Joseph C. Bodwell,	June 1852	56	158	214	20	2	8	10	4	8	0	12	0	2	109
Hopkinton,	Sept. 2, 1724	John C. Webster,	Dec. 19, 1838	52	113	165	10	0	4	4	3	0	0	3	0	0	150
Lincoln,	Aug. 20, 1767	Wm. C. Jackson,	April 26, 1848	28	51	79	21	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	4	85
Marlboro',	1666	Levi A. Field,	Aug. 31, 1853	41	110	151	11	6	6	12	4	3	0	7	3	7	225
Natick,	Feb. 1802	Elias Nason,	May 5, 1842	50	131	181	10	14	9	23	1	2	0	3	4	4	325
Needham, West,	Sept. 7, 1798	Vacant,		45	96	141	22	6	1	7	1	3	0	4	3	0	125
Saxonville,	May 1, 1836	B. G. Northrup,	March 10, 1847	25	88	113	20	0	2	2	4	8	0	12	0	3	78
Sherborn,	March 26, 1685	Edmund Dowse,	Oct. 10, 1838	71	97	168	24	0	1	1	1	5	0	6	0	3	130
Southboro',	Feb. 17, 1831	David M. Elwood,	Aug. 17, 1853	57	114	171	26	13	1	14	5	4	0	9	4	0	275
Sudbury,	Aug. 1640	Charles V. Spear,	Oct. 27, 1852	55	105	160	12	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	2	150
Wayland,	May 21, 1828	Henry Allen,	Sept. 30, 1852	40	63	103	7	1	5	6	3	3	0	6	2	5	120
Total, 13		12		565	1209	1883	214	49	39	88	30	41	0	71	23	32	2077

Without Pastoral Charge.—I. N. Tarbox, Sec. of Am. Ed. Soc., Boston; Harvey Newcomb, Brooklyn, N. Y.; James Means, New York City; Joseph Haven, Prof. Amherst College.

17. MIDDLESEX UNION ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Acton,	March 13, 1832	Vacant.		90	118	208	53	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	4	150
Ashby,	June 12, 1776	Charles W. Wood,	Oct. 30, 1839	58	110	168	20	0	2	2	4	4	0	8	0	0	175
Boxboro',	April 29, 1724	Leonard Luce,	Stated supply.	22	30	52	13	7	1	8	1	0	0	1	3	1	55
Dunstable,	May 12, 1757	Darwin Adams,	Sept. 5, 1850	29	70	99	9	0	1	1	3	1	0	4	0	3	100
Fitchburg,	Jan. 27, 1768	G. B. Willcox,	June 15, 1853	111	227	338	59	18	16	34	11	5	3	19	6	7	375
Groton,	July 13, 1664	Edwin A. Bulkley,	Sept. 18, 1850	58	151	209	18	12	12	24	4	1	1	6	4	1	175
Harvard,	Oct. 10, 1733	J. Dodge,	May 10, 1854	43	90	133	20	11	4	15	2	2	0	4	4	6	120
Lancaster,	May 22, 1839	F. B. Doe,	Oct. 19, 1854	24	56	80	10	2	3	5	0	7	0	7	1	2	100
Leominster,	Dec. 25, 1822	J. S. Bingham,	Dec. 17, 1851	78	161	239	25	3	9	12	1	13	0	14	0	4	270
Littleton,	May 14, 1840	E. Loomis,	Stated supply.	11	22	33	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Lunenburg,	June 10, 1835	J. Ballard,	Stated supply.	35	68	103	18	0	5	5	1	0	0	1	0	2	127
Pepperell,	Jan. 29, 1747	Thomas Morong,	April 12, 1854	112	176	288	69	0	0	0	5	10	0	15	0	3	250
Shirley,	March 12, 1828	Bronson B. Beardsley,	Stated supply.	14	36	50	8	5	4	9	1	12	0	13	4	1	50
Townsend,	Oct. 16, 1734	Luther H. Sheldon,	Aug. 4, 1844	89	184	273	34	0	6	6	5	4	0	9	0	6	285
Total, 14		13		774	1499	2273	359	58	63	121	42	59	4	105	22	40	2267

Without Pastoral Charge.—Daniel Butler, Sec. Mass. Bible Soc., Groton; Edwin R. Hodgman; Benjamin Dodge.

18. NORFOLK ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Abington, 1st,	1712	James W. Ward,	May 21, 1834	49	76	125	9	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	2	75
" 2d,	Aug. 19, 1707	Vacant,		68	108	176	20	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	1	155
" 3d,	1813	Horace D. Walker,	Feb. 15, 1844	33	86	119	8	2	1	3	3	1	0	4	1	5	200
" North,	Oct. 1839	Isaac C. White,	Oct. 23, 1850	37	65	102	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	150
Berkley,	Sept. 1848	L. Root Eastman,	Stated supply.	12	14	26	0	1	0	1	3	0	0	3	1	1	50
Braintree, 1st,	Sept. 10, 1707	R. S. Storrs, D. D.	July 3, 1811	45	122	167	2	2	1	3	6	0	0	6	1	6	60
" South,	Nov. 1829	Wm. B. Hammond,	April 18, 1849	27	55	82	10	2	3	5	2	0	0	2	2	6	150
" and Weymouth,	Aug. 14, 1811	Jonas Perkins,	June 14, 1815	60	111	171	25	4	0	4	0	0	1	1	1	5	200
Canton,	July 1825	Solomon Clark,	Nov. 12, 1851	11	26	37	8	0	5	5	0	1	2	3	0	1	80
Cohasset, 2d ch.	Nov. 24, 1824	Frederick A. Reed,	March 9, 1848	15	82	97	11	3	0	3	1	0	1	2	1	0	129
Dorchester, 2d ch.	Jan. 1, 1808	James H. Means,	July 13, 1848	71	221	292	54	5	7	12	6	3	1	10	1	3	175
" Village ch.	March 11, 1829	Vacant,		45	123	168	55	3	1	4	2	4	0	6	1	2	100
E. & W. Bridgewater,	1826	Philo B. Wilcox,	May 14, 1851	51	64	115	7	2	1	3	1	1	1	3	0	0	140
Easton,	Unknown.	Luther Sheldon, D. D.	Oct. 24, 1810	31	71	102	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	120
Hanover,	Dec. 1728	Joseph Freeman,	April 18, 1855	12	43	55	12	0	0	0	1	32	0	33	0	0	30
" Four Corners	April 12, 1854	Wm. R. Chapman,	Stated supply.	21	25	46	0	2	8	10	1	0	0	1	0	8	110
Hanson,	Aug. 31, 1749	Sam'l L. Rockwood,	March 11, 1840	12	50	62	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	95
Hingham,	Dec. 21, 1847	E. Porter Dyer,	Jan. 4, 1849	6	12	18	5	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	1	50
Milton, 1st,	April, 1678	Albert K. Teele,	Dec 18, 1850	32	72	104	16	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	3	75
" 2d,	Nov. 9, 1843	Edwin Leonard,	March 25, 1852	8	27	35	7	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	115
North Bridgewater,	1736	Paul Couch,	Oct. 7, 1835	50	79	129	4	4	5	9	7	8	0	15	1	7	
" South ch.	Jan. 3, 1837	D. T. Packard,	Sept. 21, 1854	34	52	86	14	6	2	8	1	6	0	7	4	6	150
" Porter Ev. ch.	March 6, 1850	Charles L. Mills,	Aug. 11, 1852	64	116	180	8	1	4	5	1	3	0	4	1	4	225
Quincy,	Aug. 1832	Nelson Clark,	Jan. 2, 1850	29	80	109	28	3	3	6	2	1	0	3	1	2	155
Randolph,	May, 1731	Christop M. Cordley,	March 3, 1852	45	89	134	5	5	0	5	4	0	0	4	2	2	100
" East,	Dec. 15, 1818	Ezekiel Russell,	May 8, 1850	47	103	150		21	1	22	7	0	0	7	10	7	220
Scituate, North,	Jan. 18, 1634	Daniel Wight, Jr.	Sept. 28, 1842	27	53	80	5	2	1	3	1	1	0	2	2	1	130
Sharon,	Jan. 25. 1741	L. R. Phillips,	July 29, 1841	25	81	106	3	6	1	7	4	0	0	4	2	3	120
Stoughton, 1st ch.	Aug. 10, 1744	Albert Perry,	Jan. 8, 1851	29	58	87	13	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	160
Weymouth, North, 1st	July, 1635	Joshua Emery,	Jan. 25, 1838	48	89	137	3	3	0	3	3	2	1	6	3	0	100
" South, 2d	1723	James P. Terry,	July 6, 1848	21	65	86	3	4	1	5	1	0	0	1	3	1	177
" Union ch.	Nov. 1, 1842	Willard M. Harding,	Nov. 17, 1847	25	54	79	0	3	1	4	2	2	0	4	2	4	180
" North, Pilgrim c.	March 11, 1852	Calvin Terry,	May 18, 1852	19	50	69	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	96
Total, 33		31		1109	2422	3551	340	87	51	138	70	70	8	148	40	87	4022

Without Pastoral Charge.—Dennis Powers, South Abington; Willard Peirce, North Abington; A. G. Duncan, Hanover; Daniel Huntington.

19. OLD COLONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Dartmouth, South,	1807	Vacant,		26	76	102	26										90
Fairhaven,	1794	John Willard,	Jan. 25, 1855	60	120	180	25	2	0	2	2	1	0	3	0	8	236
Marion,	1856	Leander Cobb,	Dec. 4, 1841	16	38	54											65
Middleboro', Central,	March 25, 1847	Wm. C. Dickinson,	April 12, 1854	41	72	113	8	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	135
Nantucket,	1767	Benjamin Judkins,	April 1, 1851	71	279	350		7	1	8	4	7	1	12	1	1	300
New Bedford, 1st ch.	1696	Daniel C. Burt,	July 1, 1835	17	44	61	15	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	75
" North,	Oct. 15, 1807	Azariah Eldridge,	Sept. 15, 1847	88	195	283	25	6	3	9	4	3	1	8	6	15	200
" Trinit.	Nov. 1830	Wheelock Craig,	Dec. 4, 1850	49	108	157		1	4	5	1	1	0	2	1	7	130
" Pacific,	Oct 8, 1844	Timothy Stowe,	April 11, 1854	21	50	71	12	2	6	8	0	0	0	0	2	5	233
Rochester, Centre,	1686	Eli W. Harrington,	June 19, 1850	16	74	90	25	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	75
" Mattapoisett,	July 28, 1736	Wm. L. Mather,	Jan. 29, 1851	43	78	121	19	0	0	0	5	0	2	7	0	1	100
" North,	1758	Isaac Briggs,															
Wareham,	1739	Homer Barrows,	Oct. 27, 1852	27	74	101	20	3	3	6	1	0	0	1	3	0	100
Total, 13		12		475	1208	1683	159	22	20	42	19	13	4	36	13	37	1739

Without Pastoral Charge.—William Gould, Fairhaven; Nathaniel Cobb, New Bedford; William A. Mandell, Westminster; Samuel Nott, Jr., Wareham; J. A. Roberts, Middleboro'; Samuel Beane, Little Compton, R. I.; Jacob Roberts, Fairhaven.

20. PILGRIM ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854			Removed 1854.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot	Dth	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Carver,	1733	Nathaniel Cogswell,	Stated supply	30	58	88	4	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	75
Halifax,	Oct. 16, 1734	Timothy G. Brainerd,	June 27, 1855	17	31	48	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	3	85
Kingston,	March 19, 1828	Joseph Peckham,	Nov. 30, 1842	24	63	87	7	0	2	2	4	0	0	4	0	0	75
Marshfield, East,	July 4, 1835	Frederick A. Fisk,	Nov, 16, 1854	12	19	31					1	0	0	1			90
" South,	1632	Ebenezer Alden, Jr.	Oct. 30, 1850	22	40	62	1	1	3	4	2	1	0	3	1	1	120
Plymouth, South,	Nov. 8, 1738	Daniel H. Babcock,	June 16, 1853	48	70	118	20	4	0	4	1	3	1	5	0	1	70
" Ch. of Pilgrimage,	Oct. 1, 1801	Joseph B. Johnson,	Jan. 4, 1855	30	33	123	13	3	0	3	2	1	0	3	0	0	200
" Chiltonville,	June 18, 1815	Vacant,		37	60	97											
Plympton,	Oct. 27, 1698	Charles Livingston,	Oct. 15, 1851	25	79	104	5	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	76
Total, 9	8			245	513	758	51	10	5	15	12	9	1	22	3	6	791

Without Pastoral Charge.—Timothy Davis, Kingston; Stillman Pratt, Middleboro'; Edward P. Kimball, Halifax.

21. SALEM ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Beverly, Dane-st.	Nov. 9, 1802	Joseph Abbott,	Oct. 23, 1834	77	150	227	0	1	0	1	4	0	0	4	1	3	225
" 4th ch.	Sept. 1, 1834	Vacant,															
Boxford, 1st ch.	1702	Wm. S. Coggin,	May 9, 1838	29	59	88	6	1	1	2	3	2	0	5	0	2	140
Danvers, 1st ch.	Nov. 16, 1689	M. P. Braman, D. D.	April 12, 1826	47	90	137		3	2	5	2	0	0	2	1	2	250
Lynn, 1st ch.	June, 1632	Parsons Cooke, D. D.	May 4, 1836	52	169	221	20	15	1	16	3	2	0	5	6	5	250
" Central ch.	Dec. 11, 1850	Jotham B. Sewall,	Feb. 7, 1855	19	41	60	3	0	0	0	2	4	0	6	0	0	80
Lynnfield,	Jan. 18, 1851	Ariel P. Chute,	Stated supply.	4	11	15	3	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	1	0	30
Marblehead,	Oct. 13, 1684	Benjamin R. Allen,	1854	67	235	392	43	2	0	2	6	0	0	6	2	6	250
Salem, Tabernacle ch.	April, 1735	S. M. Worcester, D.D	Dec. 3, 1834	81	330	411	19	3	4	7	14	7	0	21	6	3	400
Saugus,	1732	Levi Brigham,	May 7, 1851	9	16	25	5	2	1	3	2	3	0	5	2	1	100
Swampscott,	July 15, 1846	Jonas B. Clark,	Stated supply	12	37	49	3	10	4	14	0	2	0	2	5	9	175
Topsfield,	1663	Anson McLoud,	Dec. 8, 1841	54	114	168	15	9	0	9	3	0	0	3	5	0	175
Wenham,	Oct. 8, 1644	Jeremiah Taylor,	Oct. 27, 1847	37	74	111	5	0	3	3	3	1	0	4	0	2	150
Total, 13		12		488	1416	1904	122	48	16	64	43	21	0	64	29	33	2225

22. SUFFOLK NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Boston, Old South ch.	May, 1669	G. W. Blagden, D. D.	Sept. 28, 1836	90	336	416		4	8	12	6		0	6	1	4	100
" Bowdoin-st.	July 18, 1825	J. B. Waterbury, D.D.	Sept. 1846			438		1	6	7	4	20	2	26			
" Central ch.	Dec. 1841	George Richards,	Oct. 8, 1845	139	288	427		6	12	18	3	17	0	20			405
Cambridge, 1st ch.	Feb. 1, 1636	John A. Albro, D. D.	April 15, 1835	83	205	288		3	11	14	3	2	0	5		3	200
" Port, 1st ch.	Sept. 20, 1827	Vacant,		104	233	337	44	28	32	60	2	7	0	9	2	25	235
" East,	Sept. 8, 1842	Joseph L. Bennett,	July 1, 1852	45	72	117		9	5	14	6	7	0	13	4	11	120
Charlestown, 1st ch.	Nov. 2, 1632	James B. Miles,	1855														
" Winthrop ch.	Jan. 9, 1833	Benjamin Tappan, Jr.	Oct. 4, 1848	108	248	356	51	18	8	26	6	21	0	27	0	11	550
Chelsea, Winnisimmet	Sept. 20, 1841	Isaac P. Langworthy,	Nov. 10, 1841	83	189	272	47	33	26	59	3	9	1	13	15	6	450
" Broadway ch.	April 2, 1851	Joseph A. Copp,	Jan. 7, 1852	59	113	172	5	19	12	31	1	3	0	4	7	5	300
Malden, 1st ch.	March, 1649	Aaron C. Adams,	July 29, 1852	29	71	100	14	2	0	2	1	6	0	7	2	2	160
" South,	March 16, 1848	Francis G. Pratt,	Oct. 18, 1849	16	42	58	7	1	1	2						1	172
Needham, Grantville,	Feb. 24, 1847	Wm. Barrows,	Aug. 22, 1850	24	33	57	8	4	5	9	3	1	0	4			75
Newton, 1st ch.	July 20, 1664	Daniel L. Furber,	Dec. 1, 1847	33	68	101	7	2	5	7	3	6	0	9	0	2	100
" 2d ch.	Oct. 2, 1781	Lyman Gilbert, D. D.	July 2, 1828	46	70	116	19	2	8	10	3	2	0	5	0	3	80
" Eliot ch.	July 1, 1845	Vacant,		35	57	92	17	2	1	3	1	3	0	4	1	4	249
" Auburndale,	Nov. 14, 1850	Vacant,		23	31	54		0	2	2							
North Chelsea,	May 9, 1828	*Charles Greenwood,	Stated supply.	6	11	17	1	0	3	3	1	0	0	1	0	5	70
Waltham, Tr. cong. ch.	Sept. 28, 1820	John Whitney,	Nov. 8, 1837	30	110	140	50	12	8	20	2	63	0	65	3	2	75
"	Aug. 9, 1853	*Roswell Foster,	March 14, 1855	12	46	58	4	1	4	5	1	1	0	2	1	0	50
Total, 20		17		965	2223	3626	264	147	157	304	49	168	3	220	36	73	3391

Without Pastoral Charge.—E. A. Park, D. D., Andover; R. Anderson, D. D., G. C. Beckwith, D. D., S. Bliss, A. Bullard, D. Clark, W. M. Cornell, W. Jenks, D. D., S. L. Pomroy, D. D., Boston; H. Winslow, New York; W. Bushnell, Newton; J. Curtis, Charlestown.

* Not reported as a member of the Association.

23. SUFFOLK SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854				Baptisms		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Int.	
Boston, Park-st.	Feb. 27, 1809	Andrew L. Stone,	Jan. 25, 1849	204	470	674	75	6	34	40	9	11	0	20	3	10	315
" Essex-st.	Aug. 26, 1822	Neh. Adams, D. D.	March 26, 1834	141	334	475		6	3	9	2	12	0	14	0	2	250
" Salem-st.	Sept. 2, 1827	Edw. Beecher, D. D.	March 13, 1844	159	328	487		5	6	1	8	16	0	24			
" Pine-st.	Sept. 2, 1827	Henry M. Dexter,	April 18, 1849	72	178	250	25	4	23	27	4	23	0	27	3	6	450
" Mariners' ch.	Jan. 20, 1830	Elijah Kellogg,															
" Mt. Vernon,	June 1, 1842	Edward N. Kirk,	June 1, 1842	220	426	646	75	20	41	61	4	45	1	50	7	25	350
" Shawmut,	Nov. 20, 1845	Charles Smith,	Dec. 8, 1853	47	87	134	40	1	20	21	2	8	0	10	0	4	339
" South, Phillips c.	Dec. 10, 1823	Charles S. Porter,	Feb. 22, 1854	76	169	245	50	6	10	16	5	10	0	15	3	11	280
" East, Maverick c.	May 31, 1836	Rufus W. Clark,	Dec. 3, 1851	88	216	304	22	13	17	30	4	5	0	9	7	12	515
Brighton, Evang. ch.	Sept. 13, 1827	Arthur Swazey,	Oct 6, 1847	39	90	129	35	1	2	3	1	3	0	4	0	3	120
Brookline, Harvard ch.	Aug. 26, 1844	Matson M. Smith,	June 5, 1851	37	66	103	4	3	7	10	2	2	1	5	1	5	97
Dedham, South,	June, 1736	Moses M. Colburn,	Oct. 28, 1852	24	57	81	12	4	0	4	2	1	0	3	1	2	135
Roxbury, Eliot ch.	Sept. 18, 1834	Aug. C. Thompson,	July 22, 1842	97	195	292	46	10	13	23	6	15	0	21	4	14	356
West Roxbury,—																	
South Evang. ch.	June 11, 1835	Thomas Laurie,	May 7, 1851	26	50	76	8	5	3	8	3	1	0	4	2	1	90
" Jamaica Plain,—																	
Mather ch.	Feb. 15, 1853	Alonzo H. Quint,	Dec. 27, 1853	14	21	35	1	3	5	8	0	3	0	3	3	6	81
Total, 15		15		1244	2657	3931	393	87	184	271	52	155	2	209	34	101	3378

Without Pastoral Charge.—Selah B. Treat, Sec. A. B. C. F. M.; J. S. Clark, D. D., Sec. Mass. Home Miss. Soc.; S. H. Riddell, Editor, J E. Woodbridge, Editor, and Lyman Beecher, D. D., Boston; C. Marsh, Jamaica Plain; Austin Phelps, Prof. Theol. Sem., Andover; G. H. Hastings, Missionary, Rome, Italy.

24. TAUNTON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Attleboro', 1st ch. W'st	Nov. 12, 1737	S. B. Morley,	July 1, 1851	26	54	80	12	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	78
" 2d ch.	Nov. 30, 1748	Charles D. Lothrop,	Dec. 14, 1854	48	151	199	39	0	2	2	1	6	0	7	0	0	294
Berkley,	Dec. 2, 1737	John D. Smith,	Stated supply.	44	81	125	26	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	120
Dighton,	June 1810	Ezra Newton, Jr.	Stated supply.	17	29	46	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	50
Fall River, Central,	Nov. 16, 1842	Eli Thurston,	March 21, 1849	70	124	194	12	0	6	6	2	3	3	8	0	0	243
Freetown,	1809	John E. Corey,	Stated supply.	8	16	24	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	4	25
Middleboro', North,	Feb. 4, 1748	Vacant,		35	80	115	12	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	170
Norton,	April 3, 1832	Franklin Holmes,	Sept. 15, 1852	47	85	132	34	3	3	6	0	0	0	0	3	0	170
Pawtucket,	April 17, 1829	Constantine Blodgett,	July 27, 1836	58	178	236	60	0	4	4	7	5	1	13	0	10	270
Raynham,	Oct. 19, 1731	Robert Carver,	Dec. 1, 1847	41	99	140	40	4	1	5	1	0	0	1	2	0	200
Rehoboth,	Nov. 29, 1721	Charles P. Grosvenor,	Stated supply.	19	67	86	10	3	1	4	1	3	0	4	0	2	150
Seekonk,	1644	James O. Barney,	Stated supply.	25	54	79	15	4	0	4	2	1	0	3	0	0	86
Taunton, 1st ch.	1637	Alvan Cobb,	April 19, 1815	30	70	100	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	100
" East,	June 16, 1853	James R. Cushing,	Stated supply.	5	10	15	1	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
" Trin. cong. ch.	Aug 17, 1821	Erastus Maltby,	Jan. 18, 1826	105	258	363	50	7	4	11	3	13	0	16	6	9	323
" Winslow ch.	Jan. 12, 1837	Samuel H. Emery,	Nov. 23, 1837	65	114	179	41	4	11	15	1	8	0	9	0	3	150
Total, 16		15		643	1470	2113	382	25	35	60	22	43	4	69	11	38	2489

25. VINEYARD SOUND ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan 1, 1855				Admitted 1854			Removed 1854				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total	Absent	Prof.	Let.	ot	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Pot	Ad.	Inf	School.
Barnstable, West,	1634	Hiram Carlton,	Stated supply.	28	35	63		0	2	2	3	2	0	5	0	0	75
" Centreville,	July 30, 1840	Elisha Bacon,	Stated supply	28	57	85	10	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	75
Chilmark,	1715	Vacant,		2	17	19	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Falmouth, 1st ch.	1718	Henry B. Hooker,	Feb. 22, 1837	60	165	225	0	0	0	0	9	3	0	12	0	9	200
" East,	1821	A. C. Childs,	May 18, 1853	19	32	51		4	1	5	2	1	0	3	2	4	50
" " 2d,	1849	Horace Pratt,	Stated supply	14	40	54	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	70
" North,	1833	Cyrus Mann,	Stated supply	41	59	100	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	40
Cotuit & Herring Pond	1670	Asahel Cobb,	Stated supply	5	18	23	2	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	1	26
Sandwich,	1638	P. C. Headley,	Stated supply	32	82	114	12	8	2	10	1	2	3	6	5	8	80
" Monument,	1833	E. Dow,	Stated supply	11	23	34	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	30
Tisbury, Holmes Hole	1844	Wm. H. Sturtevant,	Nov. 1853	6	20	26	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	53
" West,	1673	Samuel Cole,	Stated supply.	15	35	50	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	1	72
Total, 12		11		261	583	844	38	13	6	19	26	10	3	39	9	25	771

26. WOBURN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854.			Removed 1854.				Baptisms	Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	Dth	Dis.	Exc	Tot	Ad	Int.	School
Bedford,	July 15, 1730	Henry J. Patrick,	Nov. 16, 1854	41	119	160	19	5	5	10	2	2	1	5	4	2	100
Billerica,	April 30, 1829	Jesse G. D. Stearns,	May 10, 1843	17	46	63	21	1	6	7	0	1	0	1	1	2	50
Burlington,	Oct. 29, 1735	Vacant,		20	35	55	15									4	45
Carlisle,	Feb. 28, 1781	John Lawrence,	May 5, 1853	14	46	60	6	4	2	6	2	3	0	5	2	7	80
Medford, 2d ch.	Oct. 2, 1823	Elihu P. Marvin,	Feb. 25, 1852	45	119	164	23	5	8	13	2	6	0	8	0	0	120
" Mystic ch.		Jacob M. Manning,	Jan. 1854			119	19	3	9	12	1	11	0	12	1	7	150
Melrose,	July 11, 1848	Alexander J. Sessions,	Jan. 12, 1851	15	23	38	2	2	14	16	0	0	1	1	0	0	60
North Reading,	June 29, 1740	T. N. Jones,	1853	27	40	67	3	2	3	5	0	3	0	3	0	1	175
Reading, Old South,	Feb. 21, 1771	Lyman Whiting,	Jan. 1, 1851	45	94	139	17	6	1	7	4	0	1	5	2	2	175
" Bethesda ch.	April 17, 1849	Wm. H. Beecher,	Sept. 14, 1853	65	96	161	16	10	8	18	5	5	0	10	6	4	253
South Reading,	Nov. 5, 1645	Joseph D Hull,	Dec. 27, 1853	54	93	147	10	6	10	16	2	1	0	3	4	2	150
Stoneham,	July 2, 1729	Wm. C. Whitcomb,	May 1, 1850	40	98	138	25	5	2	7	3	3	0	6	2	1	250
West Cambridge,	Dec 14, 1842	Vacant,		30	62	92	14	0	0	0	2	5	0	7	0	2	85
Wilmington,	Oct. 24, 1733	J. E. Swallow,	March 26, 1851	30	73	103	12	2	0	2	3	1	0	4	2	7	100
Winchester,	Nov. 19, 1840	Reuben T. Robinson,	Oct 27, 1852	69	127	196	13	0	10	10	2	5	0	7	0	5	325
Woburn, 1st ch.	Aug. 14, 1642	Jonathan Edwards,	Sept. 7, 1848	160	274	434	30	1	14	15	5	5	0	10	1	6	300
" North,	Nov. 22, 1649	George T. Dole,	Oct 12, 1852	12	36	48	2	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0	75
Total, 17		15		684	1381	2184	247	52	92	144	37	51	3	91	25	52	2493

Without Pastoral Charge.—Samuel Sewall, Burlington; — Cloyes, South Reading; George Gannett, Francis Horton, Joseph P. Drummond, W. Cambridge.

27. WORCESTER CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854			Removed 1854.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School
Auburn,	Jan. 25, 1776	L. Ives Hoadley,	June 17, 1854	31	91	122	29	1	3	4	0	7	0	7	0	2	80
Barre,	Aug. 15, 1827	Christop. M. Nickels,	May 7, 1851	61	147	208	35	2	3	5	0	1	0	1	0	0	160
Berlin,	April 7, 1779	Wm A. Houghton,	Oct. 26, 1853	41	84	125	25	4	1	5	1	1	0	2	4	1	135
Boylston,	Oct 6, 1743	Wm H. Sanford,	Oct. 17, 1832	48	83	131	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	150
Clinton,	Nov. 14, 1844	W. W. Winchester,	March 23, 1854	57	122	179	27	10	13	23	5	16	0	21	6	6	260
Holden,	Dec. 22, 1742	Wm P. Paine,	Oct. 24, 1833	103	228	331	45	1	2	3	3	5	0	8			200
Leicester,	March, 1721	{ John Nelson, D. D. { A C. Denison,	March 4, 1812 / March 4, 1851	75	140	215	9	2	5	7	4	3	0	7	1	3	200
Northboro',	April 12, 1832	S. S. Ashley,	June 16, 1852	27	76	103	23	3	5	8	4	1	0	5	1	2	150
Oxford,	Jan. 18, 1721	Horatio Bardwell,	June 16, 1836	64	140	204	36	3	3	6	4	3	0	7	3	4	150
Paxton,	Sept 3, 1767	Wm Phipps,	Nov. 11, 1840	28	67	95	6	6	2	8	4	10	0	14	4	3	150
Princeton,	Oct 12, 1764	Henry Wickes,	June 16, 1852	44	82	126	15	1	4	5	1	4	0	5	0	0	100
Rutland,	Oct 9, 1727	Vacant,		67	139	206	42	2	1	3	6	8	0	14	1	0	225
Shrewsbury,	Dec. 4, 1723	N. W. Williams,	Feb. 28, 1849	85	161	246	32	6	0	6	5	11	0	16	3	1	250
Sterling,	Jan. 8, 1852	Wm Miller,	May 9, 1855	11	27	38	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	70
Westboro',	Oct. 28, 1724	Daniel R. Cady,	Dec. 4, 1849	121	253	374	41	13	7	20	8	13	0	21	3	5	332
West Boylston,	Sept. 15, 1796	Joseph W. Cross,	March 11, 1840	80	175	255	32	10	5	15	8	7	1	16	5	6	250
Worcester, 1st par.	1719	Horace James,	Feb. 3, 1853	130	265	395	53	10	41	51	11	13	0	24	2	10	428
" Calvinist,	Aug. 16, 1820	Seth Sweetser, D. D.	Dec. 19, 1838	118	254	372	40	6	6	12	4	10	0	14	2	4	300
" Union,	Feb. 3, 1836	Vacant,				425		4	10	14							400
" Salem-st.	June 15, 1848	George Bushnell,	Dec. 13, 1848	68	118	186	14	6	13	19	3	8	0	11	3	0	300
Total, 20		19		1259	2652	4336	533	90	124	214	72	121	1	194	38	48	4290

Without Pastoral Charge.—Rodney A. Miller, Worcester; Henry B Holmes, Agent of Am. Tract Society, Andover; Isaac R. Worcester, Dist. Sec. A. B. C. F. M., Auburndale; Miner G. Pratt, Agent Am. Col. Soc, Andover; George L. Hovey, Agent Am. and For. Ch. Union, Boston; Preston Cummings Leicester; William T. Sleeper, City Missionary, Worcester.

28. WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled	Chh Mem. Jan 1, 1855.				Admitted 1854			Removed 1854.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males	Fem	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Ashburnham,	April, 1760	Vacant,		60	100	160	20	3	0	3	0	2	1	3	1	2	100
" North,	Feb. 21, 1843	Josiah D Crosby,	Stated supply	25	25	50	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
Athol,	Sept. 1750	John F. Norton,	March 17, 1852	54	115	169	9	34	7	41	8	2	0	10	22	2	150
Gardner, 1st,	Sept. 1786	John C. Paine,	Ja . 1848	27	42	69	0	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	140
" Evan. ch.	1826	Abijah Stowell,	Stated supply	52	84	136	29	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	2	150
Hubbardston,	Feb. 14, 1770	Cyrus W. Allen,	Dec. 29, 1852	44	107	151	30	5	1	6	1	2	0	3	4	2	130
New Salem,	Aug. 1845	Wm. H Hayward,	Aug. 23, 1848	7	27	34	3	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	50
Petersham,	June 25, 1823	Andrew B Foster,	May 12, 1853	33	78	111	14	2	4	6	3	4	0	7	1	0	120
Phillipston,	Nov 16, 1785	Vacant.		64	140	204	40	20	1	21	3	0	0	3	5	5	150
Royalston, 1st ch.	Oct. 13, 1766	Ebenezer W. Bullard,	Sept. 2, 1853	49	92	141	15	10	2	12	1	3	0	4	5	6	195
" South,	Jan. 22. 1837	Vacant,		20	45	65	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	135
Templeton,	April 11, 1832	Lewis Sabin,	Sept. 21, 1837	37	90	127	19	6	7	13	4	3	0	7	3	1	150
Westminster,	Oct. 20, 1744	Vacant,		88	196	284	25	0	1	1	7	13	0	20			175
Winchendon, 1st ch.	Dec 15, 1762	Vacant,		24	42	66	21	5	0	5	3	1	0	4	0	2	60
" North,	Dec. 7, 1843	Abijah P. Marvin,	Jan 10, 1844	41	37	138	21	4	10	14	7	2	0	9	1	3	160
Total, 15		10		625	1280	1905	274	92	35	127	39	32	1	72	43	30	1925

Without Pastoral Charge.—Ebenezer Perkins, A. E. P. Perkins, Royalston.

SUMMARY.

Associations.	Chs	Pastors	Stated supplies.	Vacant chhs.	Ministers without charge.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1855.				Admissions in 1854.			Removals in 1854.				Baptisms.		Sab. Sch.
						Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Total.	Death.	Dis.	Exc.	Total.	Adults	Infants	
Andover,	18	9	3	5	7	1007	3027	4034	1069	152	55	207	30	89	1	120	91	44	2974
Berkshire North,	17	15	2	1	9	822	1491	2313	297	53	69	122	46	90	2	138	19	40	1589
Berkshire South,	18	13	2	3	10	746	1620	2366	553	15	38	53	51	59	2	112	7	36	1810
Brewster,	14	12	1	1	3	394	911	1305	99	34	7	41	23	8	10	41	11	21	1585
Bridgewater,	5	4	0	1	4	157	305	462	60	0	3	3	5	2	0	7	0	4	451
Brookfield,	18	16	3	1	2	854	1901	2755	462	102	136	238	45	125	3	173	37	55	2812
Essex North,	23	20	4	2	6	944	2137	3081	238	138	66	204	67	47	6	120	80	49	3080
Essex South,	17	16	0	2		724	1927	2651	212	85	28	113	45	25	9	79	17	36	2777
Franklin,	28	18	4	7	4	867	1689	2556	245	32	49	81	48	63	3	114	17	62	2934
Hampden East,	18	15	2	3	7	768	1604	2600	358	42	67	109	27	79	11	117	15	41	2141
Hampden West,	16	12	2	2	1	521	1115	1636	184	41	55	96	29	41	0	70	15	21	1561
Hampshire,	20	17	1	3	11	1158	1981	3415	271	127	62	189	74	91	10	175	43	91	2871
Hampshire East,	16	14	0	2	2	1447	1920	3367	800	20	57	77	52	54	1	107	7	57	2185
Harmony,	14	10	0	4	4	578	1379	1957	349	57	42	99	31	70	3	104	32	34	2321
Mendon,	13	13	0	0	10	481	1191	1672	185	35	55	90	32	38	2	72	20	61	1795
Middlesex South,	13	11	1	1	4	565	1209	1883	214	49	39	88	30	41	0	71	23	32	2077
Middlesex Union,	14	9	4	1	3	774	1499	2273	359	58	63	121	42	59	4	105	22	40	2267
Norfolk,	33	29	2	2	4	1109	2422	3531	340	87	51	138	70	70	8	148	40	87	4022
Old Colony,*	13	11	1	1	7	485	1228	1713	154	22	20	42	20	13	4	37	13	37	1759
Pilgrim,	9	7	1	1	3	245	513	758	51	10	5	15	12	9	1	22	3	6	791
Salem,†	13	10	2	1		495	1433	1928	125	48	18	66	43	21	0	64	29	33	2293
Suffolk North,	20	16	1	3	12	965	2223	3026	264	147	157	304	49	168	3	220	36	73	3391
Suffolk South,	15	15	0	0	8	1244	2087	3331	393	87	184	271	52	155	2	209	34	101	3378
Taunton,	16	9	6	1		643	1470	2113	382	25	35	60	22	43	4	69	11	38	2489
Vineyard Sound,	12	3	8	1		261	583	844	38	13	6	19	26	10	3	39	9	25	771
Woburn,	17	15	0	2	5	684	1381	2184	247	52	92	144	37	51	3	91	25	52	2493
Worcester Central,	20	19	0	2	7	1259	2652	4336	533	90	124	214	72	121	1	194	38	48	4290
Worcester North,	15	8	2	5	2	625	1280	1905	274	92	35	127	39	32	1	72	43	30	1925
Total, 28	465	366	52	58	135	20,822	44,778	67,195	8,756	1,713	1,618	3,331	1,119	1,674	97	2,890	737	1,254	64,832

*Including North Rochester. †Including Beverly, 4th chh.—*Not reported in season.*

STATISTICS FOR 1853 AND 1854 COMPARED.

The aggregate numbers for 1853 compared with those for 1854 are as follows:

	Assoc.	Chs	Past.	Stated supplies.	Vacant chhs	Ministers without charge	Church Members.				Admissions.			Removals.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
							Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Total.	Death.	Dis.	Exc.	Total.	Adults	Infants	Schol.
For 1853,	28	463	358	41	63	144	21980	43487	66062	6513	1681	2063	3214	974	1151	91	1321	719	1203	58336
For 1854,	28	465	366	52	58	135	20822	44778	67195	8756	1713	1618	3331	1119	1674	97	2890	737	1254	64832

That this comparison, however, is not a just one, may be easily seen:

Of the 463 churches enumerated for 1853, (incorrectly printed 451,) 61 had made no returns; of these, 20 were left blank in the tables, and 41 were filled from returns of previous years; substracting these as of course unreliable, and the returns from the 402 churches actually reporting for 1853, will appear as follows:

Churches.	Church Members.				Admissions.			Removals.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
	Males	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Total.	Death.	Dis.	Exc.	Total	Adults	Infants	Scholars.
402	20413	40179	61397	6430	1681	2063	3214	974	1151	91	1321	719	1203	54095

and with 61 churches unreported.

Of the 465 churches enumerated this year, one, organized since Jan. 1, 1855, though included in the list according to the plan of that column, could of course make no report; of the 464 remaining, (the same as last year with the addition of one which might then have been included,) 9 have made no returns, and are therefore left blank in the tables. The summary therefore for this year is the report of 455 churches.

It is obvious that no knowledge as to progress can be had except by comparing these churches which made reports for both years. From 4 churches which reported for 1853, no returns could be had for 1854, while 57 churches silent for 1853 have now reported. The 398 churches which have reported for 1853 and 1854 compare as follows:

	Church Members.				Admissions.			Removals.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
	Males	Fem.	Total.	Absen	Prof.	Let.	Total.	Death.	Dis.	Exc.	Total.	Adults	Infants	Scholars.
For 1853,	20252	39811	60905	6400	1064	2047	3151	954	1122	91	1273	717	1177	53535
For 1854,	18751	39671	59363	7536	1560	1434	2994	1011	1496	85	2473	680	1086	58457

That is, according to the aggregate membership, there is a *loss* of 1542; according to the excess of additions over removals, there is a *gain* of 521; this discrepancy is in part attributable to revisions of church lists during the past year instead of copying numbers already used from time immemorial, and in part to carelessness and ignorance; to the latter belongs also the discrepancies between "totals" and the sum of "males" and "females."

To obtain an approximation to the membership of the churches connected with the General Association of Massachusetts, for three years past, we may add to the printed numbers, actual returns for the "blank" churches collected from previous reports, with the following result; to which, for a ten years' view, we have prefixed a statement prepared from the returns of 1844:

	Chs.	Past.	Stated supplies	Vacant chhs.	Ministers without charge.	Church Members.			Admissions.	Removals.	Sabbath Sch.
						Males	Fem.	Total			
In 1844,	403	361	41	26	50			62151			
In 1852,	462	374	51	47	117	21801	46272	68183	3889	2706	66048
In 1853,	463	358	41	63	144	22645	45037	68477	3214	1321	60221
In 1854,	465	366	52	58	135	20999	45218	67843	3331	2890	65722

According to "membership," the number *gained* in 1853 was 294; in 1854, a *loss* of 634. But according to excess of additions over removals, there was in 1853, a *gain* of 1893, and in 1854, a *gain* of 441. The apparent loss of 5827 Sabbath Scholars in 1853, and the equally sudden gain of 5501 in 1854 are doubtless to be attributed to the peculiarly defective returns last year issued.

In ten years, the number of churches has increased 62, which is a little over *fifteen per cent.;* the membership has increased in the same period 5692, which is a little over *nine per cent.;* and the number of men in ministerial work (pastors and stated supplies,) has increased 16, which is less than *four per cent.* The increase, therefore, of the number of churches has in the last ten years, been more than four times that of the ministerial supply; and the number of vacant churches has more than doubled.

The Minutes are issued this year three days later than last year; they would have been issued four weeks earlier, had the Statistics been so reported that their printing wonld not have been a disgrace to the Association.

When the returns came to the hands of the Committee, fifty-five churches had made no report; urgent labor (in many cases requiring three successive circulars, and in several, personal visits to delinquent pastors in different towns,) has reduced that number to nine.

The manner of printing returns in past years by leaving blanks as equivalent to "none" under specific heads, has allowed some pastors to hide an immense amount of negligence; the Committee desirous this year of filling these blanks either with the "cipher" or something better, and unable to discriminate between honest and careless blanks, were obliged to send circulars to all alike, trusting to the good nature of those who had already performed their duty. Out of nearly two hundred replies, more than half, (including *every one* who grumbled,) convicted their writers of previous neglect of duty; the Committee have inserted nothing, not even a "cipher" without direct authority; and in respect to *fulness*, the Statistics are more reliable than usual

The reader needs caution as to placing implicit reliance on these returns. The number without pastoral charge, is too small by scores; in 300 churches at least, the memberships for two successive years will not correspond with what the additions, etc. should make it; the members of Sabbath Schools are not reported from all of the churches, and those reported are generally only *guesses;* and the column for "absent" is, this year at least, grossly deceptive.

The present Committee can only continue the lamentations of their predecessors; after their experience in a work which if faithfully performed is personally expensive, laborious, and thankless, and if negligently done is a disgrace to all parties, they would suggest that no *permanent* improvement in our Statistics can be hoped for, so long as the present shiftless system of collecting them is continued.

The Committee are to make a report on the subject of Statistics at the next session. So far as now appears, a system should be adopted like the following: To make it the duty of Pastors to report on or before Feb. 1st; to have in each Association a "Statistical Scribe" to receive these reports, pursue delinquents, and to report on or before April 1, to a "Permanent Statistical Secretary" of the General Association; to make it *that* officer's duty to present the Statistics *complete and ready for printing*, at the meeting of the General Association, and to make him *ex-officio* a member of the Publishing Committee. The present system fails because nobody is *responsible;* under the proposed plan, the Committee are confident that every church would be reported, as it would have been this year if a little more time could have been allowed; and the usual vexatious delay in the printing would be avoided.

SCRIBES OR REGISTERS OF THE SEVERAL ASSOCIATIONS.

General Association,	E. Davis, D. D., *Westfield.*
Andover Association,	Amos Blanchard, D. D , *Lowell.*
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Brewster,	Abel K. Packard, *Yarmouth.*
Bridgewater,	Baalis Sanford, *East Bridgewater.*
Brookfield,	Jason Morse, *Brimfield.*
Essex North,	David T. Kimball, *Ipswich.*
Essex South,	Ephraim W. Allen, *Salem.*
Franklin,	David A. Strong, *South Deerfield.*
Hampden East,	Eli B. Clark, *Chickopee.*
Hampden West,	Emerson Davis, D. D., *Westfield.*
Hampshire,	Jonathan S. Judd, *Whately.*
Hampshire East,	George E. Fisher, *North Amherst.*
Harmony,	George Lyman, *Sutton.*
Mendon,	William L. Ropes, *Wrentham.*
Middlesex South,	Levi A. Field, *Marlboro'.*
Middlesex Union,	Edwin A. Bulkley, *Groton.*
Norfolk,	D. Temple Packard, *North Bridgewater.*
Old Colony,	Timothy Stowe, *New Bedford.*
Pilgrim,	Ebenezer Alden, Jr., *Marshfield.*
Salem,	Jonas B. Clark, *Swampscott.*
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Vineyard Sound,	Asahel Cobb, *Sandwich.*
Woburn,	Reuben T. Robinson, *Winchester.*
Worcester Central,	Henry Wickes, *Princeton.*
Worcester North,	John C. Paine, Gardner.

MEMBERS OF THE SEVERAL ASSOCIATIONS,

Arranged in alphabetical order, with the Post-Office address of each, and with the number of the Association in which each name occurs in the statistics.

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Adams Darwen, Dunstable. 17
Adams George M., Conway 9
Adams Nehemiah, D. D., Boston. 23
Albro John A., D. D., Cambridge. 22
Alden Ebenezer, Jr., Marshfield. 20
Alden Edmund K , Lenox. 3
Allen Benj. R., Marblehead. 21
Allen Cyrus W , Hubbardston. 28
Allen Ephraim W., Salem. 8
Allen Henry, Wayland. 16
Allen W., Dracut 1
Anderson Rufus, D. D., Boston. 22
Angier Luther H , Concord. 16
Ashley S. S , Northboro'. 27
Austin Franklin D., Tolland. 11
Ayres Rowland, Hadley. 13

Babcock Daniel H., South Plymouth. 20
Bacon Enoch, Centerville. 25
Bacon James M., Salisbury. 7
Badger Milton, D. D., New York. 1
Baldwin Joseph B., West Cummington. 12
Banister S. W., Ware. 6
Ballard J., Lunenburg. 17
Bardwell Horatio, Oxford. 27
Barney James O., Seekonk. 24
Barnum Samuel W., Stanford, Ct. 12
Barrows Elijah P , Andover 1
Barrows Homer, Wareham. 19
Barrows William, Grantville. 22
Barton F. A., Indian Orchard. 10
Bates William, Northbridge. 14
Beach Nathaniel, Millbury. 14
Beaman Warren H., North Hadley. 13
Beane Samuel, Little Compton, R. I. 19
Beardsley Bronson B., Shirley. 17
Beckwith George C., D. D., Boston. 22
Beecher Edward, D. D., Boston. 23
Beecher Lyman, D. D., Boston. 23
Beecher William H., Reading. 26
Bennett Joseph L., East Cambridge. 22
Bigelow Andrew, West Hampton. 12
Billings R. S., Shelburne. 9
Bingham J. S , Leominster. 17
Bisbee John H , Worthington 12
Biscoe Thomas C , Grafton. 14
Blagden George W., D. D., Boston. 22
Blake Henry B , Belchertown. 13
Blake Mortimer, Mansfield. 15
Blanchard Amos, D. D., Lowell. 1
Blanchard W. S 10
Bliss Isaac G , Southbridge. 6
Bliss Seth, Boston. 22
Blodgett Constantine, Pawtucket. 24
Blodgett Edward P , Greenwich. 13
Bodwell Joseph C., Framingham. 16
Bowers John, Wilbraham. 10
Bradford D. B., Ware Village. 6
Bradford James, Sheffield. 3
Bragg Jesse K., Brookfield. 6
Brainard Timothy G , Halifax. 20
Braman Isaac, Georgetown. 7
Braman Milton P , D. D. Danvers. 21
Breed David, Chester. 11
Bremner David, Rockport. 8
Bridge Henry M., Warwick. 9
Briggs Isaac, North Rochester. 19
Briggs William T., North Andover. 1
Brigham David, Bridgewater. 5
Brigham John C., D. D., New York. 3
Brigham Levi, Saugus. 21
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Brown J. R., Longmeadow. 10
Bryant Sidney, Mettineague. 11
Buckingham Samuel G., Springfield. 10
Bullard Asa, Boston. 22
Bullard Ebenezer W., Royalston. 28
Bulkley Edwin A., Groton. 17
Burdett M., Philadelphia, Pa. 14
Burt Daniel C., North Fairhaven. 19
Bushnell George, Worcester. 27
Bushnell William, Newton. 22
Butler Daniel, Groton. 17
Byington Swift, West Brookfield. 6

Cady Daniel R., Westboro'. 27
Campbell Randolph, Newburyport. 7
Carlton Hiram, West Barnstable. 25
Carpenter Eber, Southbridge. 6
Carver Robert, Raynham. 24
Chandler Azariah, D. D., Greenfield. 9
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Chapman Calvin, Lakeville. 5
Chace Ebenezer, Eastham. 4
Childs A. C., East Falmouth. 25
Chute Ariel P., Lynnfield. 21
Clapp Erastus, Easthampton. 12.
Clark ——, East Dracut. 1
Clark Benjamin F., Sunderland. 9
Clark Benjamin F., North Chelmsford. 1
Clark Dorus, Boston. 22
Clark Eber L , Washington. 2
Clark Edward, Cummington. 12
Clark Eli B., Chicopee. 10
Clark Elias, Egremont. 3
Clark James A., Southwick. 11
Clark Jonas B., Swampscott. 21
Clark Joseph S., D. D , Boston. 23
Clark Lewis F., Whitinsville. 14
Clark Nelson, Quincy. 18
Clark Perkins K., Hinsdale. 2
Clark Rufus W., East Boston. 23
Clark Sereno D , Sunderland. 9
Clark Solomon, Canton 18
Clark Theodore J., Cummington. 12
Cleaveland James B , South Egremont. 3
Cleaveland John P., D. D., Northampton. 12

Cloyes ——, South Reading. 26
Cobb Alvan, Taunton 24
Cobb Asahel, Sandwich. 25
Cobb Leander, Marion. 19
Cobb Nathaniel, New Bedford. 19
Coggin William S., Boxford. 21
Cogswell Nathaniel, Yarmouth. 4
Cogswell Nathaniel, Carver. 20
Colburn Moses M., South Dedham. 23
Cole Samuel, West Tisbury. 25
Colton Aaron M., East Hampton. 12
Colton T. E., Monson. 10
Condit Uriah W., Lynnfield Centre. 8
Cone L. H., Indian Orchard. 10
Cook E. W., Haydenville. 12
Cook Russell S., New York. 2
Cooke Parsons, D. D., Lynn. 21
Cooley Henry, West Springfield. 11
Cooley Timothy M., D. D., Granville. 11
Copp Joseph A., Chelsea. 22
Cordley Christopher M., Randolph. 18
Corey John E., Freetown. 24
Cornell William M., Boston. 22
Couch Paul, North Bridgewater. 18
Cowles J. P., Ipswich 7
Craig Wheelock, New Bedford. 19
Crawford Robert, North Adams. 2
Crosby Josiah D., Ashburnham. 28
Cross Abijah, Haverhill. 7
Cross Joseph W., West Boylston. 27
Crowell Robert, D. D., Essex. 8
Cummings Preston, Leicester. 27
Cunningham John, Southbridge. 6
Curtis J., Charlestown 22
Curtis Joseph W., Hadley. 13
Cushing Christopher, North Brookfield. 6
Cushing James R., East Taunton. 24

Dana J. Jay, Adams. 2
Dashiell Alfred H., Jr., Stockbridge. 3
Davis Emerson, D. D., Westfield. 11
Davis Timothy, Kingston. 20
Denham George, Wellfleet. 4
Denison A C, Leicester. 27
Dexter Henry M., Boston. 23
Dickinson Noadiah S., Chatham. 4
Dickinson William C., Middleboro'. 19
Dimmick Luther F., D D, Newburyport. 7
Dixon William E., Ellington. 10
Dodd S G, Spencer. 6
Dodge Benjamin, Acton. 17
Dodge J, Harvard. 17
Doe F. B, Lancaster. 17
Dole George T., North Woburn. 26
Dow E., Monument. 25
Dowse Edmund, Sherburne. 16
Drummond Joseph P., West Cambridge. 26
Duncan A. G., Hanover. 18
Duncan T. W., Windsor. 2
Dwight E. S., Amherst. 13
Dwight John, North Wrentham. 15
Dwinell Israel E., Salem. 8
Dyer E. Porter, Hingham. 18

Eastman David, Leverett. 13
Eastman John, West Hawley. 9
Eastman L. Root, Berkley. 18
Eddy Chauncy, Lanesboro'. 2
Edgell John Q A, Andover. 7
Edwards Jonathan, Woburn. 26
Eldridge Azariah, New Bedford. 19
Elwood David M., Southboro'. 16
Ely Alfred, D. D., Monson 10
Emerson Brown, D. D., Salem. 8
Emerson Edward B., Heath. 9
Emery Joshua, North Weymouth. 18

Emery Samuel H., Taunton. 24

Farwell Asa, Haverhill. 7
Ferguson John, Whately. 9
Field David, D. D., Stockbridge. 3
Field Levi A., Marlboro'. 16
Fisher George E., North Amherst. 13
Fisk Frederick A, East Marshfield. 20
Fiske Daniel T., Newburyport. 7
Fitz Daniel, Ipswich. 8
Flagg Horatio, Coleraine. 9
Fletcher James, North Danvers. 8
Folsom G. D. F., Springfield. 10
Foster Andrew B, Petersham. 28
Foster Aaron, East Charlemont. 9
Foster E. B., Lowell. 1
Foster William C., Lawrence. 1
Fowler Bancroft, Stockbridge 3
Freeman Joseph, Hanover. 18
Furber Daniel L., Newton Centre. 22

Gale Nahum, Lee. 3
Gale Wakefield, Rockport. 8
Gannett George, West Cambridge. 26
Garrette Edmund Y., Foxboro'. 15
Gay Ebenezer, Bridgewater. 5
Gibson Hugh, Otis. 3
Gilbert Lyman, D. D, West Newton. 22
Gilbert S. B., Wendell. 9
Gilbert William H, Ashfield. 9
Giddings Edward, Honsatonic. 3
Gould William, Fairhaven. 19
Grannis Horace R., Holland. 6
Greeley Stephen S. N., Great Barrington. 3
Greenwood Charles, North Chelsea. 22
Griffin N. H, Williamstown. 2
Griggs Leverett, Millbury. 14
Grosvenor Charles P., Rehoboth. 24

Hall Gordon, Northampton. 12
Hall Thomas A., Lee. 3
Hammond William B., South Braintree. 18
Hanks Steadman W., Lowell 1
Harding John W., Longmeadow. 10
Harding Sewall, Boston. 15
Harding Willard M., South Weymouth. 18
Harrington Eli W., Rochester. 19
Harrington Moody, Middlefield. 12
Harris Samuel, Pittsfield. 2
Harrison Samuel, Pittsfield. 2
Haskell Joseph, Dover. 15
Hastings G. H., Rome, Italy. 23
Hatch Roger C., Warwick. 9
Haven John, Charlton. 6
Haven Joseph, Amherst. 16
Hawks Theron H., West Springfield. 11
Hayward William H., New Salem. 28
Hazen T. A., Dalton. 2
Headley P. C., Sandwich. 25
Hine S, Westboro'. 10
Hinsdale Charles J., Blandford. 11
Hitchcock Calvin, D D, Wrentham. 15
Hitchcock Edward, D. D., Amherst. 13
Hill George E, Sheffield. 3
Hoadley L. Ives, Auburn. 27
Hodgman Edwin R., Lunenburg. 17
Hoisington H. R., Williamstown. 2
Holbrook Willard, Rowley. 7
Holman David, Douglas. 14
Holman Sydney, West Millbury. 14
Holmes Franklin, Norton. 24
Holmes Henry B., Andover. 27
Hooker Henry B., Falmouth. 25
Hopkins Mark, D. D, Williamstown 2
Hoppin James M., Salem. 8
Horton Francis, West Cambridge. 26

Hosford Benjamin F., Haverhill. 7
Hosford Isaac, Lowell. 1
Houghton James C., South Wilbraham. 10
Houghton William A., Berlin. 27
Hovey George L., Boston. 27
Hull Joseph D., South Reading. 26
Humphrey Heman, D. D., Pittsfield. 2
Hunt Samuel, Franklin. 15
Huntington Daniel. 18
Hyde James T., New Braintree. 6

Ide Jacob, D. D., West Medway. 15

Jackson Samuel C., D. D., Andover. 1
Jackson William C., Lincoln. 16
James Horace, Worcester. 27
Johnson Joseph B., Plymouth. 20
Jones T. N., North Reading. 26
Jenks William, D. D., Boston. 22
Judd Jonathan S, Whately. 12
Judkins Benjamin, Nantucket. 19

Keep John, Dana. 6
Kellogg Elijah, Boston. 23
Kendall S. C., Webster. 14
Kimball Caleb, Medway. 15
Kimball D. T, Ipswich. 7
Kimball Edward P., Halifax. 20
Kimball James, Oakham. 6
Kingman Matthew, Charlemont. 9
Kirk Edward N., Boston. 23
Kitredge C. B., Monson. 10
Knapp Jared O, North Cornwall, Ct. 12
Knight Joseph, Peru. 2
Knight Richard, Holyoke. 11

Langstroth Lorenzo L., Coleraine. 9
Langworthy Isaac P., Chelsea. 22
Lasell Nathaniel, Amesbury Mills. 7
Laurie Thomas, West Roxbury. 23
Lawrence John, Carlisle. 26
Leland John H. M., Norwich. 12
Leonard Edwin, Milton. 18
Lewis Wales, Haverhill. 7
Lincoln I. N, Williamstown. 2
Livingston Charles, Plympton. 20
Loomis E., Littleton 17
Lombard Otis, Southfield. 3
Lothrop Charles D., Attleboro'. 24
Luce Leonard, Boxboro'. 17
Lyman George, Sutton. 14
Lyman S., Easthampton. 12

McCollom James T., Bradford. 7
McEwen Robert, Enfield 13
McLoud Anson, Topsfield. 21
Maltby Erastus, Taunton. 24
Mandell William A., Westminster. 19
Mann Cyrus, North Falmouth. 25
Manning Jacob M., Medford. 26
Marsh Christopher, Jamaica Plain. 23
Marsh Dwight W., Mosul, Turkey. 2
Marvin Abijah P., Winchendon. 28
Marvin Elihu P., Medford. 26
Mather William L., Mattapoisett. 19
Maynard Joshua L., East Douglas. 14
Means James, New York. 16
Means James H, Dorchester. 18
Means John O., East Medway. 15
Merrick James L, South Amherst. 13
Merrill James H., Montague. 9
Merrill Joseph, Lowell. 1
Miles James B., Charlestown. 22
Miller Rodney A., Worcester. 27
Miller Simeon, Holyoke. 11
Miller William, Sterling. 27

Mills Charles L., North Bridgewater. 18
Mills Henry, Granby. 13
Mordough J. H. Hamilton. 8
Morley S. B, West Attleboro'. 24
Morong Thomas, Pepperell. 17
Morse Jason, Brimfield. 6
Munroe Nathan, Bradford. 7
Murray James O., South Danvers. 8
Myrick O., Provincetown. 4

Nason Elias, Natick. 16
Neally J. W., Ipswich. 7
Nelson John, D. D., Leicester. 27
Nevin Edward H, Walpole. 15
Newcomb Harvey, Brooklyn, N. Y. 16
Newton Ezra, Jr., Dighton. 24
Nickels Christopher M, Barre. 27
Noble Edward W., Truro. 4
Northrup B. G., Saxonville. 16
Norton C. H, North Becket. 2
Norton John F., Athol. 28
Norwood Francis, West Granville. 11
Nott Samuel, Jr., Wareham. 19

Orcutt John. 14
Osgood Samuel, D. D., Springfield. 10
Oviatt George A., Chicopee. 10

Packard Abel K., Yarmouth. 4
Packard D. T., Campello. 18
Packard Theophilus, D. D., Shelburne. 9
Paine Albert, West Amesbury. 7
Paine John C., Gardner. 28
Paine William P., Holden. 27
Park Calvin E., West Boxford. 7
Park Edwards A., D. D., Andover. 22
Parker Leonard S., Haverhill. 7
Parsons H. M., Springfield. 10
Parsons John, West Dracut. 1
Parsons John U, Hyannis. 4
Patrick Henry J., Bedford. 26
Pease Giles, Sandwich. 4
Peck David, Orange. 9
Peckham Joseph, Kingston. 20
Pennell Lewis, West Stockbridge Centre. 3
Peirce Willard, North Abington. 18
Peters Absalom, D. D., Williamstown. 2
Perkins A. E. P, Royalston. 28
Perkins Ebenezer, Royalston. 28
Perkins Jonas, Weymouth. 18
Perry Albert, Stoughton. 18
Perry David, Brookfield. 6
Perry Gardner B., D. D., Groveland. 7
Perry Ralph, Agawam. 11
Phelps Austin, Andover. 23
Phelps Winthrop H., Monterey. 3
Phillips John C., Methuen. 1
Phillips L. R, Sharon. 18
Phipps William, Paxton. 27
Pickard Daniel W., Groveland. 7
Pickett Aaron, Sandisfield. 3
Pierce C. H., Andover. 1
Pike John, Rowley. 7
Pomeroy Rufus, Otis. 3
Pomroy Jeremiah, Rowe. 9
Pomroy Swan L., D. D., Boston. 22
Poor Daniel J, Gorham, Me. 15
Porter Charles S., South Boston. 23
Powers Dennis, South Abington. 18
Pratt Edward, New York. 15
Pratt E., Brewster. 4
Pratt Francis G., South Malden. 22
Pratt Henry, Dudley 6
Pratt Horace, Waquoit. 25
Pratt Miner G., Andover. 27
Pratt Stillman, Middleboro'. 20

Prince John M., Georgetown. 7
Putnam Israel W., D. D., Middleboro'. 5

Quint Alonzo H., Jamaica Plain. 23

Raymond Stetson, Bridgewater. 5
Reed Andrew H., Mendon. 15
Reed Frederick A., Cohasset. 18
Renshaw C. S., Richmond. 2
Rich A. B., Beverly. 8
Ricuards George, Boston. 22
Richardson N., Lanesville. 8
Richmond Thomas T., Medfield. 15
Riddel Samuel H., Boston. 23
Roberts Jacob, Fairhaven. 19
Roberts James A., Middleboro'. 19
Robinson Reuben T., Winchester. 26
Rockwood Samuel L., Hanson. 18
Rood Thomas H., Goshen. 12
Ropes William L., Wrentham. 15
Root Augustine, Erving. 9
Root Edward W., Williamsburg. 12
Russell Ezekiel, East Randolph. 18

Sabin Lewis, Templeton. 28
Sanders Marshall D., Ceylon. 2
Sanford Banlis, East Bridgewater. 5
Sanford David, Medway. 15
Sanford Enoch, Raynham. 5
Sanford Enoch, South Wellfleet. 4
Sanford William H., Boylston Centre. 27
Sawyer Benjamin, Salisbury. 7
Searle Richard T., New Marlboro'. 3
Seely R. H., Springfield. 10
Sessions Alexander J., Melrose. 26
Sewall Jotham B, Lynn. 21
Sewall Samuel, Burlington. 26
Seymour C. N., Whately. 12
Seymour Henry, Hawley. 9
Sheldon Luther, D. D., Easton. 18
Sheldon Luther H., Townsend. 17
Sheldon Noah, Stockbridge. 3
Simmons Charles, North Wrentham. 15
Sleeper William P., Worcester. 27
Smith Asa B., Buckland. 9
Smith Charles, Boston. 23
Smith John D., Berkley. 24
Smith Matson M., Brookline. 23
Smith Stephen S., Warren. 6
Snell Thomas, D. D., North Brookfield. 6
Snow Porter H., Baltimore, Md. 10
Southgate Robert, Ipswich. 8
Southworth Tertius D. 15
Spaulding Samuel J., Newburyport. 7
Spear Charles V., Sudbury. 16
Stearns Jesse G. D., Billerica. 26
Stearns William A., D. D., Amherst. 13
Stone Andrew L., Boston. 23
Stone Cyrus, Boston 4
Stone Rollin S., East Hampton. 12
Stone Timothy D. P., Norwich, Conn. 15
Storrs Richard S., D. D., Braintree. 18
Stowe Timothy, New Bedford. 19
Stowell Abijah, Gardner. 28
Strong Stephen C., Southampton. 12
Sturtevant William H., Holmes' Hole. 25
Swallow J. E., Wilmington. 26
Swasey Arthur, Brighton. 23
Street Edward. 12
Strong David A., South Deerfield. 9
Sweetser Seth, D. D., Worcester. 27
Swift Edward Y., South Hadley. 13

Tappan Benjamin, Jr., Charlestown. 22
Tarbox Increase N., Boston. 16
Tatlock John, Williamstown. 2
Taylor Jeremiah, Wenham. 21
Taylor John L., Andover. 1
Teele Albert K., Milton. 18
Temple J. H., Framingham. 12
Tenney Charles, Haverhill. 7
Tenney Francis V., Byfield. 7
Terry Calvin, North Weymouth. 18
Terry James P., South Weymouth. 18
Thacher Isaiah C., South Dennis. 4
Thayer William M., Ashland. 16
Thompson Augustus C., Roxbury. 23
Thompson John C., Holyoke. 12
Thompson Leander, West Amesbury. 7
Thompson Otis, North Abington. 5
Thurston Eli, Fall River. 24
Thurston R B., Chicopee. 10
Tisdale James, Shutesbury. 9
Todd John, D. D., Pittsfield. 2
Tolman Richard, Tewksbury. 1
Treat Selah B., Boston. 23
Tuck, J. W., Ludlow. 10
Tucker Joshua T., Holliston. 15
Tupper Martyn, Hardwick. 6
Turner Josiah W., Portland, Me. 3
Tyler William H., Pittsfield. 2

Uhler George, Curtisville, Stockbridge. 3
Utley Samuel, Austerlitz, N. Y. 3

Vaill J., D. D., Palmer. 10

Waldo L. F., North Brookfield. 6
Walker Horace D., East Abington. 18
Walker Townsend, Chester Village. 11
Ward James W., Abington. 18
Ward S. D., Feeding Hills. 11
Warner O., Northampton. 12
Warren William, Upton. 14
Waterbury Jared B., D. D., Boston. 22
Webster, John C., Hopkinton. 16
Wells John H, West Yarmouth. 4
Wheaton Levi, Gloucester. 8
White Isaac C., North Abington, 18
White Jacob, Orleans. 4
White Morris E., Northampton. 12
Whitcomb William C., Stoneham. 26
Whitmore Zolva, Becket. 3
Whiting Lyman, Reading. 26
Whitney John, Waltham 22
Wickes Henry, Princeton 27
Wickes John, Canaan, N. Y. 2
Wight Daniel, Jr., North Scituate. 18
Willcox G. B., Fitchburg. 17
Wilcox Philo B, East Bridgewater. 18
Wilder H. A., South Africa. 2
Wilder Moses H., Harwich. 4
Willard John, Fairhaven. 19
Williams N. W, Shrewsbury. 27
Williams Thomas, Providence, R. I. 15
Williston Payson, D. D., Easthampton. 12
Wilson Thomas, Westford 1
Winchester Warren W., Clinton. 27
Winslow Hubbard, New York. 22
Withington Leonard, D. D., Newburyport. 7
Wood Charles W., Ashby 17
Woodbury James T., Milford 15
Woodbridge John, D. D., Hadley. 13
Woodbridge Jonathan E., Auburndale. 27
Woodworth C. L., Amherst. 13
Worcester Isaac R., Auburndale. 27
Worcester Samuel M, D D., Salem. 21
Wright E. B., Monson 12
Wright William, South Windsor, Ct. 10

FORM OF A SCHEDULE FOR THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

☞ It is expected that each member of the District Associations in Massachusetts will make returns agreeably to this form, to the Scribe of his Association at its meeting next preceding each annual meeting of the General Association, and that the Scribe of each Association will combine all the returns to his Association into one, to be presented to the General Association, *arranging the churches in alphabetical order, adding up and stating the whole amount in each column, and making the return, in all respects, as complete as possible.* The *absent* members are to be regarded as included in the columns with the others. ☞ Wherever "none" is the appropriate return under any head, *write it out in full;* as difference of usage in this point in past years has rendered full tables impossible, a blank will in future be considered as constituting a defective return.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Members, Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D th	Dis.	Ex.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.

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MINUTES.

The General Association of Massachusetts assembled in the South Church in Salem, on Tuesday, June 24, 1856, at 5 o'clock, P. M. The delegates were called to order by Rev. I. E. Dwinell; and Rev. Ebenezer Cutler was appointed Scribe, *pro tem.*

The following clergymen presented certificates of their election as Delegates from District Associations, and were enrolled as members:—

Andover,	Richard Tolman, Eden B. Foster.
Berkshire North,	J. Jay Dana, Samuel Harrison.
Berkshire South,	Edmund K. Alden.
Brewster,	John U. Parsons, Ebenezer Chase.
Bridgewater,	Stetson Raymond, Baalis Sanford.
Brookfield,	Martin Tupper.
Essex North,	Francis V. Tenney, James T. McCollom.
Essex South,	Daniel Fitz, E. W. Allen.
Franklin,	John Ferguson.
Hampden East,	Samuel Osgood, D. D. J. C. Houghton.

Hampden West,	Franklin D. Austin.
Hampshire,	John H. Bisbee.
Hampshire East,	Rowland Ayres.
Harmony,	Jacob J. Abbott, William Bates.
Mendon,	Samuel Hunt, John Haskell.
Middlesex South,	Henry Allen.
Middlesex Union,	Charles W. Wood, F. B. Doe.
Norfolk,	Frederick A. Reed, E. Porter Dyer.
Old Colony,	Homer Barrows, Timothy Stowe.
Pilgrim,	Frederick A. Fiske, Joseph B. Johnson.
Salem,	Parsons Cooke, D. D. Jonas B. Clark.
Suffolk North,	Joseph A. Copp, William Barrows.
Suffolk South,	Alonzo H. Quint.
Taunton,	T. E. Bliss, Franklin Holmes.
Vineyard Sound,	Hiram Carlton, Cyrus Mann.
Woburn,	Joseph D. Hull, Jesse G. D. Stearns.
Worcester Central,	Ebenezer Cutler.
Worcester North,	John F. Norton, Ebenezer W. Bullard.
Also, Mass. H. M. Society,	Joseph S. Clark, D. D. Amos Blanchard, D. D.
Also, Ex-officio,	Brown Emerson, D. D. I. E. Dwinell, Emerson Davis, D. D., *Secretary.*

The following clergymen, who had represented this Association to corresponding bodies since the session of 1855, were enrolled as Honorary Members:

General Association of Connecticut,—Isaiah C. Thatcher.
General Association of New York,—A. J. Sessions.
Presbyterian General Assembly, (O. S.),—B. G. Northrop.

The following clergymen were present as Delegates from Corresponding Bodies:

Congregational Union of Canada,—E. Ebbs.
General Association of New Hampshire,—Otis Holmes.
General Convention of Vermont,—S. R. Hall.
General Association of New York,—S. C. Brown.
General Association of Michigan,—John D. Pierce.
Convention of Wisconsin,—J. Lewis.
General Association of Iowa,—Ephraim Adams.
Presbyterian General Assembly, (N. S.),—William R. DeWitt, D. D.
Presbyterian General Assembly, (O. S.),—Alexander T. McGill, D. D.

ORGANIZATION.

Rev. Daniel Fitz, of Ipswich, was chosen Moderator; Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, of Jamaica Plain, Scribe; and Rev. Timothy Stowe, of New Bedford, Assistant Scribe.

Prayer was offered by the Moderator.

The Rules of the Association were read by the Secretary.

The following Committees were appointed:

On Elections:—Rev. Messrs. Dana, William Barrows, and Reed.

On Accounts:—Rev. Messrs. Cutler and Alden.

On Nominations:—Rev. Messrs. Bisbee, Homer Barrows, and Thatcher.

On Arrangements:—Rev. Messrs. Dwinell, Blanchard, and Parsons.

After prayer, the Association adjourned, to meet at 7¾ o'clock, P. M.

Evening, 7¾ *o'clock.* The Association met for public worship, when a sermon in behalf of the Home Missionary Society was preached by Rev. J. T. Tucker, of Holliston, from Isaiah xxvi : 15. A collection was taken up, amounting to $40 46.

The Association adjourned, to meet on Wednesday morning at 8½ o'clock.

Wednesday, A. M., 8½ *o'clock.* The Association met according to adjournment. The roll was called, prayer was offered by the Moderator, and the minutes of the previous day were read.

The *Committee on Elections* made a report as to credentials.

The *Committee on Nominations* reported the following names for the offices specified :—

On Publication,—Rev. Messrs. Sewall Harding, A. H. Quint, and Timothy Stowe.

On Narrative of the State of Religion,—Rev. Messrs. E. K. Alden, Richard Tolman, C. W. Wood, Rowland Ayres, and John Ferguson.

On Nomination of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies,—Rev. Messrs. Dana, E. Davis, D. D., Parsons Cooke, D. D., F. D. Austin, and J. F. Norton.

The report was adopted.

REPORTS OF DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

Reports of attendance were made in person by the following brethren :—

Rev. J. S. Copp, delegate to the General Conference of Maine.

Rev. I. C. Thatcher, delegate to the General Association of Connecticut.

Rev. J. J. Dana, delegate to the Presbyterian General Assembly, (N. S.)

Rev. A. J. Sessions, delegate to the General Association of New York.

A letter was received from the General Association of Oregon.

Rev. Jason Morse reported by letter his attendance at the General Association of Illinois.

STATISTICS.

A report was presented by the Committee of Publication, recommending an addition to the Rules, by constituting the office of Statistical Secretary. The report was accepted, and the proposed amendment was ordered to be read a second time tomorrow.

The same Committee were, at their request, excused from reading a report upon the "statistics of our churches compared with the population."

HONORARY MEMBERS.

Rev. Drs. D. O. Allen and Milton Badger were invited to sit as Honorary Members.

STATE OF THE COUNTRY.

A resolution, presented by the Committee of Arrangements, after discussion and amendment, was adopted as follows:

Resolved,—That a Committee of nine be appointed, to take into consideration the civil and religious state of the country, and report such resolutions in reference thereto as they may deem expedient.

The Committee consisted of Rev. Drs. Samuel Osgood, J. S. Clark and A. Blanchard, and Messrs. A. J. Sessions, J. J. Dana, H. Carleton, E. B. Foster, J. T. McCollom, and C. Mann.

The following resolution, introduced by the same Committee, was laid upon the table:

Resolved, That, in the opinion of the General Association of Massachusetts, some organization is desirable representing the Congregational Churches of the United States.

A motion to insert in the printed Minutes the amount of benevolent contributions in the various Associations, was laid upon the table.

After a recess, the Association spent a season in Devotional Exercises; in the course of which notices were read of the Congregational clergymen of this State deceased since the last meeting of this body. [See "Narrative," etc.]

THE PUBLISHING SOCIETIES.

The Committee re-appointed last year, to ascertain of the various "Publishing Societies, their views and actions on the subject of slavery," made a report through Rev. Dr. Worcester. The report was accepted; and the following resolutions, embraced in their report, were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That it is not expedient for this Association to take any further action in respect to the Massachusetts Sabbath School Society, the Congregational Board of Publication, or the American Sunday School Union.

Resolved, That this Association is gratified with the action of the American Tract Society at its recent meeting in New York; that we regard the appointment of a Committee of investigation as a wise and timely measure, evincing as it does a willingness on the part of the Society to reconsider its duty on the subject of slavery; that we are particularly pleased with the statements of the Executive Committee respecting the omission of words and phrases having reference to slavery, in the publications of the Society, and also with their admission that there are "Aspects of the subject and of duties and evils connected with it, in which it might be hoped that evangelical *Christians, North and South, would agree*," and in respect to which, therefore, they see not why tracts "breathing the love of Christ and promising usefulness" may not be approved and published.

Resolved, That while we do not desire the Tract Society to publish at all on the political aspects of slavery, nor upon slavery in its moral aspects except in the spirit of love and with the utmost christian candor and impartiality, it is our deliberate conviction, that silence in respect to the enormous

and admitted evils of slavery, on the part of a great publishing Society devoted to the cause of good morals and religion, is not wise as a matter of policy nor consistent with Christian faithfulness; that the time will come, if it has not already, when not to be openly against a system so fraught with evil and danger, is to be for it, and therefore that this Society should be ready to take the position to which the providence of God and the demands of the age summon it, and exert its powerful influence against the sins of slavery as against other sins.

Resolved, That in the present condition of the affairs of the American Tract Society, its officers and agents with all its friends and patrons have urgent occasion to supplicate the throne of grace, that the Spirit of the Lord may rest upon them, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH OTHER BODIES.

The Committee of Arrangements introduced resolutions discontinuing our correspondence with other denominations.

Without acting upon these resolutions, the Association adjourned to meet at 2½, P. M.

Wednesday, 2½, *P. M.* Met at the hour appointed, when the session was opened by singing and prayer.

NARRATIVES OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

The Association listened to the reports of the state of religion in the various district Associations.

SALUTATIONS OF DELEGATES FROM CORRESPONDING BODIES.

The salutations of corresponding bodies were presented by the following delegates:

Rev. Otis Holmes, from the General Association of New Hampshire.

Rev. S. C. Brown, from the General Association of New York.

Rev. John D. Pierce, from the General Association of Michigan.

Adjourned at 5¾, to meet at 7½, P. M.

Wednesday evening, 7½, *P. M.* Met according to adjournment; prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. McGill.

The Association listened to a presentation of the objects of the Systematic Beneficence Society, by John Gulliver, and to a brief notice from Rev. Sewall Harding, Secretary of the Congregational Board of Publication.

SALUTATIONS—CONTINUED.

The Association received further salutations of delegates, as follows:

Rev. J. Lewis, from the Presbyterian and Congregational Convention of Wisconsin.

Rev. E. Ebbs, from the Congregational Union of Canada.

Rev. S. R. Hall, from the General Convention of Vermont.

Rev. Ephraim Adams, from the General Association of Iowa.

Rev. Dr. William R. DeWitt, from the Presbyterian General Assembly, (N. S.)

The Association then adjourned, with prayer, to Thursday, 8, A. M.

Thursday, 8, *A. M.* The Association met at the hour appointed; prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Taylor of Manchester, the roll was called, and the minutes of the preceding day were read.

On motion,—

Voted, That any member of the Association may have leave of absence, at 10 o'clock this morning, for half an hour, to visit the Museum in this city, in accordance with the invitation of its officers.

PSALMODY.

Upon the request of the Taunton Association,—

Voted, That a Committee of five be appointed to report to this body at its next session upon the expediency of a thorough revision of our Church Psalmody.

Rev. Messrs. Maltby, I. C. Thatcher, E. Nason, Ayres, and S. M. Worcester, D. D., were appointed this Committee.

PASTORAL LETTER.

Voted, That the Pastoral Letter be omitted for this year.

EXERCISES AT ANNUAL MEETINGS.

The Committee appointed last year to revise "the mode of proceeding" of this Association, "with a view to restrain its action to what is legitimate, and, if possible, to promote and increase its true usefulness," made a report through Rev. E. Maltby.

Voted, That it be adopted and published in the Minutes: and Rev. Messrs. E. Davis, D. D., J. A. Copp, J. T. McCollom, J. P. Cleaveland, D. D., and H. B. Hooker, were appointed the Committee contemplated in the report.

SALUTATIONS—CONTINUED.

Rev. Dr. McGill presented the salutations of the Presbyterian General Assembly, (O. S.)

Rev. B. G. Northrop reported his attendance upon the Presbyterian General Assembly, (O. S.)

ELECTION OF SECRETARY.

Rev. E. Davis, D. D., was re-elected Secretary for three years.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The resolutions concerning delegations to bodies not of our denomination, were taken up and discussed; and the following substitute was passed:

Resolved, That the subject of continuing our present correspondence with the Presbyterian churches be referred to the District Associations, to report at our next meeting.

DELEGATES TO FOREIGN BODIES.

The *Committee on Nominations* reported the following list of delegates, which report was adopted:

To the Presbyterian General Assembly, (O. S.):

Primaries, { Mark Hopkins, D. D.
Benjamin S. Hosford.

Substitutes, { E. A. Bulkley,
S. S. N. Greeley.

To the Presbyterian General Assembly, (N. S.):

Primaries, { A. H. Dashiell, Jr.
John Dodge.

Substitutes, { Ezekiel Russell,
Moses H. Wilder.

To the General Conference of Maine:

Primaries, { N. Adams, D. D.
George M. Adams.

Substitutes, { J. Vaill, D. D.
James O. Barney.

To the General Association of New Hampshire:

Primaries, { Emerson Davis, D. D.
Leonard Withington, D. D.

Substitutes, { John H. Bisbee,
J. G. D. Stearns.

To the General Convention of Vermont:

Primaries, { Abijah P. Marvin,
George Lyman.

Substitutes, { Jacob Ide, D. D.
O. T. Lamphear.

To the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island:

Primaries, { Warren H. Beaman,
William P. Paine.

Substitutes, { David Holman,
John C. Paine.

To the General Associations of Connecticut and California*:

Primaries, { Israel W. Putnam, D. D.
James A. Roberts.

Substitute, Christopher Cushing.

To the General Association of New York:

Primaries, { Theodore G. Clark,
Sereno D. Clark.

Substitutes, { Horace James,
Edward P. Blodgett.

To the General Association of Michigan:

Primaries, { Franklin Holmes,
Horace D. Walker.

Substitutes, { Ralph Perry,
Hiram Carlton.

To the General Association of Wisconsin:

Primaries, { Eden B. Foster,
David Sanford.

Substitutes, { Heman Humphrey, D. D.
David M. Elwood.

To the General Association of Illinois:

Primaries, { Randolph Campbell,
Anson McLoud.

Substitutes, { Daniel Fitz,
Joseph L. Bennett.

To the General Association of Iowa:

Primaries, { A. Foster,
George Richards.

Substitutes, { Robert Southgate,
Henry M. Dexter.

To the Congregational Conference of Ohio, and to the General Association of Oregon:

Primary, Joseph B. Johnson.
Substitute, James H. Means.

* By letter.

To the Congregational Union of Canada:

Primaries, { J. Jay Dana, Edward W. Noble.

Substitutes, { William Gould, David Brigham.

To the Congregational Union of England and Wales:

Primary, Edward P. Kimball.

Substitute, Edward N. Kirk.

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY PREACHER FOR 1857.

Rev. J. Jay Dana was elected substitute preacher on Home Missions for 1857, Rev. J. P. Cleaveland, D. D., being primary.

STATE OF THE UNION.

The *Committee on the State of the Union* reported through Rev. Dr. Blanchard, as follows:

Whereas, in view of the late occurrences in Congress and in one of the Territories, growing out of the encroachments of slavery, we are constrained to regard the condition of our country as solemn and critical, beyond any, through which we have ever passed, therefore,

Resolved, That the crisis calls us to special prayer for the nation, and to redoubled efforts to deepen and diffuse the spirit of the gospel, as the only remedy for existing evils, and the only foundation of hope for the perpetuity of American institutions.

Resolved, That passing events call upon us, as Christian patriots, to stand firm in our defence of the interests of freedom and of the Union, and to seek to promote them in all lawful, wise, and Christian methods.

The report was adopted.

PLACE OF MEETING, PREACHER, AND PASTORAL LETTER FOR 1857.

Voted, That the session of this body in 1857 be held at Belchertown.

Voted, That the Associational preacher for 1857 be appointed by Brookfield Association.

Voted, That the Pastoral Letter be prepared by Rev. Messrs. J. B. Johnson, E. Alden, Jr., and Joseph Freeman.

ADDITIONAL RULES ON STATISTICS.

The additional Rules prepared by the Committee of Publication were adopted, as follows:

A Statistical Secretary shall be chosen for three years from the first of September following his appointment. It shall be his duty to procure the Statistics of the churches through the Scribes or other statistical officers of the District Associations; complete and arrange them for publication, and present them in that form and properly combined into a summary, at the same time with the reports of the several District Associations at each session. He shall superintend their printing; shall be a member, ex-officio, of this body and of the Publishing Committee, and shall be allowed his travelling expenses in attending the meetings of the Association.

Each District Association connected with this body is requested to appoint a Statistical Scribe, to collect the statistics of the churches within its bounds in methods designated by this body and in connection with the Statistical Secretary of the General Association.

Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, of Jamaica Plain, was elected Statistical Secretary for three years.

Voted, That the insertion of the amount of benevolent contributions in the published Minutes, be referred to the discretion of the Publishing Committee.

Voted, That the lists of delegates to corresponding bodies, when published in the Recorder or Congregationalist, properly attested, be the credentials of persons appointed.

NARRATIVE.

The *Narrative of the State of Religion* was read by Rev. Mr. Tolman, adopted, and ordered to be printed.

Adjourned, to meet at 2 o'clock.

Thursday, 2 o'clock, P. M. The Association met for public worship and the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

The sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. Seelye, of Springfield, from 2 Cor. iii: 18.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. Messrs. Fitz, Dana, and B. R. Allen of Marblehead.

After religious services business was resumed.

ACCOUNTS.

The Treasurer's Account was reported approved by the Auditing Committee, and ordered to be printed.

VOTES OF THANKS.

Voted, That the thanks of this Association be presented to the people of this city, for their liberal hospitalities; to the South Church and Society, for the use of their church; and to the choir for their musical assistance.

INFANT BAPTISM.

A report on Infant Baptism, presented by the Committee appointed last year, was deferred to next year,—the report in the mean time to be referred to the Publishing Committee to be printed.

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the exigencies of the church and the world demand a higher standard of beneficence on the part of every Christian.

Resolved, That the plans for this purpose, proposed by the "American Systematic Beneficence Society" be recommended to the serious and prayerful attention of all our churches.

After singing, prayer was offered by Mr. Dwinell, and the Association adjourned to the 4th Tuesday in June, 1857.

DANIEL FITZ, *Moderator.*

ALONZO H. QUINT, *Scribe.*

TIMOTHY STOWE, *Assistant Scribe.*

REPORT UPON REVISION OF EXERCISES.*

The Committee appointed by this body, to "*revise its mode of proceeding at its annual meeting, with a view to restrain its action to what is legitimate, and, if possible, to promote and increase its usefulness*," present the following report:—

There can be little doubt, we think, that this Association has sometimes, in its proceedings, gone beyond its legitimate limits, as was shown by Rev. Dr. Dimmick's Report last year. When it adopted the *Plan of Union* with the *Presbyterian* Churches, we think it did so—and also when it showed a disposition to establish a system of *Consociations* among our churches. And in the same light we must regard the organization of the *Foreign* and *Home Missionary Societies*. For excellent as these societies are, their formation properly belonged to the churches, who were to support them, rather than to a purely ministerial body.

And this brings us to the *character* of this Association, and the principles of its *organization*, as determining its appropriate sphere of action. It is made up of ministers alone. The churches are not represented in it. And in its Rules, which are the basis of its organization, "*its object*" is declared to be, "*to promote brotherly harmony and intercourse among the ministers of Christ; to obtain religious information relative to the state of the churches, and of the Christian Church throughout the world; and to co-operate with one another, and with other ecclesiastical bodies, in the most eligible measures for advancing the cause of truth and holiness.*" (Rule 2d.)—

*See page 11.

Thus we see, that this Association was called into existence especially for the benefit of Ministers. It was not organized for the good of the churches, but for the good of the Pastors of these churches. It was designed to promote their intercourse, their harmony, their information, their usefulness.

The *Plan* of this Association was evidently suggested by the *Local*, or *District* Associations, which are as old almost as the settlement of ministers in New England, and which, at the close of the last century, had come to embrace nearly all the ministers in the State. A confederation of these several bodies into one General Body, was perfectly natural, and must have occurred to many minds, as well fitted to enlarge and systematize the good influences, that were already emanating from these distinct and independent gatherings. Nevertheless,—as some one writes upon this subject,—"a few of the Fathers had their fears, that a General Association would exert some control over the churches and their pastors, not consistent with the Congregational independence which underlies the whole superstructure of our Ecclesiastical Polity. On this account alone, several of the local Associations did not fall into the arrangement at first; and the *Mendon* Association, of which *Dr. Emmons* was the *Nestor*, never came into it till after his death. Thus warned, the General Association interposed a special guard against such tendencies towards Ecclesiastical and Prelatical power, by a distinct avowal of its Congregational principles; an emphatic disavowal of any judicatorial rights; and a full announcement of its real and only aims." (Rev. Joseph S. Clark's Letter.)—This declaration of its object, and this announcement of the principles of its organization, is the one already referred to, and shows plainly enough what this Association was designed to be. It was to be a *Ministerial*, and not an *Ecclesiastical* body. It was to represent the *Ministers*, and not the *Churches* of Massachusetts. It was for the mutual improvement and aid of the *Pastors* of these churches, and not in any sense for the care of the *Churches* themselves, that this Body was organized. And here is where we have so far departed from the principles of our organization. We have come to

regard ourselves, as representing the churches, and acting for the churches, and taking care of the churches,—instead of being simply a body of Pastors, representing and acting for our brethren in the ministry, and endeavoring to promote one another's edification and usefulness.

To be sure, our own interests, and the interests of our churches, are most closely connected—they are well nigh identical. And then, what must always be our apology, and perhaps our justification, for the care that we bestow upon the interests of the churches, is, that they have no Ecclesiastical body to look after those interests; not even to receive the Delegates that are sent to them from Foreign Bodies, or to make arrangements for the collection of their charities. Still there is danger in it. And it is questionable, when the churches refuse to provide for such a want, at least in any such way, how far we should allow ourselves to do it. It was an objection with many, to incorporating a Lay element into this Body, that it might lead to the exercise of Ecclesiastical authority; but there is as much danger from *Prelatical* power, as there is of *Ecclesiastical* domination. *Ministers* are quite as likely to usurp undue authority over the churches as those bodies which have a Lay element in them, as history shows. Every Hierarchy has grown up in this way.

But aside from all danger,—which may be greater or less,—it is enough, that this Association was not formed to take care of the churches, but for the good of Ministers. It is an Association of Pastors, for their mutual edification and usefulness; and this fundamental idea of our organization, should always guide and limit our proceedings.

This much then may be safely recommended—that *we should keep nearer to this central idea*, from which we have manifestly swerved; that we should have *more distinct and exclusive reference, to our edification and usefulness as Pastors, and less to the affairs of the Churches;* and especially, that we should have less to do with so many matters, which have *only a remote, if any relation, to the cause of Christ.*

In regard to our "*Method of proceeding at our Annual Meeting*," your Committee could desire, if it were possible,

that there were *fewer matters of mere business to be attended to, and less of detail and repetition in the Narratives of the State of Religion;* and that *more time could be devoted particularly to consultation upon our duties and difficulties as Pastors.* And they would recommend, that the Narratives, instead of being read publicly, be referred to a Committee, who shall prepare a digest of them, as at present, and read it to the Association.

They also recommend, that the afternoon and evening of Wednesday be appropriated to the presentation and discussion of Theological and practical questions connected with the Ministerial profession, in accordance with a schedule of subjects previously prepared and published by a Committee appointed for that purpose.

They also recommend, that the Reports from Foreign Bodies do not ordinarily exceed fifteen minutes.

They further recommend, that instead of our present "*Pastoral Address*," which is now addressed to our churches, it be made a *Letter to the Pastors.* This would be more in accordance with the object of our Association, and such a Letter might become the vehicle of valuable and timely suggestions, and addressed at once to all the Congregational Pastors of the Commonwealth.

Finally, they recommend the following resolution be adopted, viz.

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed, to draft the details of a plan in accordance with this Report, to be presented at the meeting of the next General Association.

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

In sketching a brief outline of the dealings of God with us the past year, we notice, in the outset, the afflictive dispensations of his Providence, in removing some of the standard-bearers of our Zion. Of the ten deceased,* only four were settled pastors. These were called home to their reward, at the ages of 92, 86, 68, and 47, respectively. Surely, amid our grief at the loss of these men of God, we have great occasion for gratitude, that the settled ministry connected with this body, have been so remarkably exempt from the invasions of death; and that the four, who have fallen, were spared to so good an average age as that of more than three score years and ten. The six ex-pastors deceased, were permitted to serve God on earth, to the average age of 60. But now that these revered and beloved fathers and brethren in the ministry have gone to their account, may we, who survive, be stirred up to greater diligence in the Master's service, and to fervent prayer that more laborers may be sent

* Pastors of churches:—
Robert Crowell, D. D., of Essex, died Nov. 10, 1855, aged 68.
William R. Chapman, of Hanover, died Oct. 25, 1855, aged 47.
Payson Williston, D. D., of Easthampton, died Jan. 30, 1856, aged 92.
Theophilus Packard, D. D., of Shelburne, died Sept. 16, 1855, aged 86.
Clergymen not pastors:—
Abijah Cross, of Haverhill, died April 14, 1856, aged 62.
Samuel W. Strong, died at Reading, Pa, April 16, 1856, aged 34.
Bancroft Fowler, of Stockbridge, died April 5, 1856, aged 80.
Horatio J. Lombard, died at Springfield, April 28, 1856, aged 64.
Charles Simmons, of North Wrentham, died May 12, 1856, aged 57.
Noah Sheldon, of Stockbride, died May 14, 1856, aged 66.

into the harvest, which is, to so sad an extent, perishing for lack of reapers.

We turn, with joy, from these doings of death, to notice the gracious operations of the life-giving Spirit.

The Reports from the District Associations, with but few exceptions, furnish cheering evidence of the continued prosperity of our churches, amid all the agitations now pervading the nation. Though there have not been so many, and so marked instances of the outpouring of the Spirit, the past year, as the year before, we have occasion to bless God, that every Association can bear witness to more or less of the manifestations of his grace, in the form of the gently distilling dew, or, as in a majority of cases, of the reviving rain,—encouraging us to look up for more copious effusions of those divine influences, with which we flourish, but without which we die.

It is worthy of notice, as a prominent feature of the visitations of mercy with which we have been blessed, that God has spoken to us, generally, by the still small voice. Though his kingdom has come, in some places, as at Seekonk and Rehoboth, with great power, it has not come with observation. The work of his grace in the hearts of the people has been too deep and thorough to be noisy or obtrusive; too gentle in its operation to be soon spent,—going on, as in some cases, month after month, through the summer's heat and the winter's cold,—affording us most delightful instances of continuous refreshing from the presence of the Lord.

In connection with the manifold tokens of the sanctifying and saving influences of the Spirit, which so cheer our hearts, it is painful to refer to some of the evils, over which the friends of our Zion have cause to mourn.

One of these evils is the great instability in the pastoral office, with all the attendant ruinous consequences. Nearly every District reports from one to half a dozen cases, of the sundering of the pastoral tie. This evil, however, great as it now is, seems to be diminishing, judging from the numerous instances specified of an increase in the salary of pastors.

Another evil, over which we have cause to mourn, is the great neglect of Infant Baptism, as manifest in the returns from many of the churches,—impressing us with the conviction that there should be more faithful and thorough instruction, on the part of pastors, in the principles of the Abrahamic covenant, so as to lead pious parents to consecrate, not only themselves, but their offspring, to the Lord, in the ordinance of his own appointment.

But the evil which lies, in no inconsiderable degree, at the root of all, the evil of evils, is that dry rot of worldliness, which is, to a grievous extent, eating out the very heart of the piety of our churches. There is devotion—but it is to gain, instead of godliness. The consecration to Christ, by many professing disciples, is so lacking in whole-heartedness, that, though they are, it may be, of eminent power in the world, they are but ciphers, or dead weights, in the church; seeming to forget that the burning zeal, and all-conquering energy, displayed in their secular pursuits, should be laid upon the altar of Him, who gave himself for them; that they should be as wide awake and active in the religious, as in the industrial, or political life. This is indeed for a lamentation, since piety, to be healthy and vigorous, must be operative in good works,—the fountain of love within, keeping itself pure and sweet, only as it pours forth the living streams. How important, then, that all our churches receive that baptism of the Spirit, with which some of them have been so richly blessed.

In regard to the Sabbath School cause, it is highly gratifying to observe that, according to the testimony of the Reports—the most of which made special reference to the matter—this cause is taking a deeper and stronger hold on the hearts of God's people, that never did they more fully realize the importance of the Savior's injunction, "Feed my lambs." The Sabbath School has shared largely in the spiritual refreshings of the past year, thus proving itself, as heretofore, preëminently the nursery of the church. We record also, with gratitude, the fact, that the children and youth in many of our Sabbath Schools are contributing liberally to the cause of benevolence, believing that the best way to raise the

standard of beneficence in our churches, is to train the rising generation to habits of charity.

As it respects the cause of Temperance, the tidings from different parts of the Commonwealth are not particularly encouraging. The unanimous opinion expressed is, that the prohibitory law has worked well, wherever it has worked at all. But it is far from being every where faithfully enforced. And there seems to be a growing conviction that mere legal enactments, however excellent, will not of themselves suffice to do away with the mischiefs and the miseries of the intoxicating cup; but that for this end, in connection with wise legislation, there must be a more general resort to those moral means, which, under God, proved so efficient in the early stages of the Temperance reformation. The gospel, fully and faithfully preached and applied, is believed to be the grand instrumentality for promoting this and every other enterprise for ameliorating the condition of our fellow-men.

The recent manifestations of the aggressive and ruffianly spirit of the slave-power, appear to have roused the ministers and churches within our bounds, as never before. From the verdant hills of Berkshire to the barren sands of the Cape, the voice is as the voice of many waters, for free territory and free speech, now and forever; so that, dark as is the cloud of strife that hangs over us, threatening our dearest interests with its fiery bolts, "hope plays on its edges, and tinges them with gold,"—encouraging us to supplicate more earnestly for the speedy coming of that year of jubilee, when liberty shall be proclaimed through all the land, to all the inhabitants thereof.

In relation to the reports of Delegates from Ecclesiastical Bodies in correspondence with us, suffice it to say, that they have been generally of such a hopeful character, as to cheer our hearts in the service of our common Master; and that they have breathed such a Christian spirit as to strengthen and deepen our attachment to these other branches of the household of faith, and lead us to pray that we may ever keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace, provoking each other only to love and to good works.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

General Association of Massachusetts, in account with E. DAVIS, *Treasurer.*

		Cr.
June, 1855.	Balance in Treasury,	$41 38
May, 1856.	Cash for Minutes sold,	1 78
June, "	Received of District Associations,	104 50
		$147 66

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July, 1855.	Mistake in last account,	$5 00
Oct. "	Postage on Minutes,	10 90
May, 1856.	Postage Bill of Publishing Committee,	6 50
June, "	Messrs. Crocker and Brewster, for Minutes,	157 87
" "	Do. do. for Circulars,	11 25
" "	Binding Minutes,	1 00
" "	Secretary's travelling expenses,	7 00
		$199 52

We have examined the above account, and find it correct, and that there is a deficiency in the Treasury of $51 86. We recommend that a tax of *Fifty cents* be assessed upon each member of the local Associations for the ensuing year.

E. CUTLER,
E. K. ALDEN, } *Com. on Accounts.*

[Adopted and ordered to be published.]

RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

1. The Association, by which the General Association of Massachusetts was originally organized, agreed to admit, and this Association continue to admit, as articles of faith, the doctrines of Christianity, as they are generally expressed in the Assembly's Shorter Catechism; and the abovementioned doctrines, understood by us to be distinctly those, which from the beginning, have been embraced by the churches of New England as the doctrines of the Gospel, are considered as the basis of our union.

2. This General Association is founded on the principles of Congregationalism, and wholly disclaims ecclesiastical jurisdiction over the churches, or the opinions of individuals. Its object is to promote brotherly harmony and intercourse among the ministers of Christ;—to obtain religious information relative to the state of their churches, and of the christian church in this country, and throughout the world;—and to co-operate with one another, and with other ecclesiastical bodies, in the most eligible measures for advancing the cause of truth and holiness.

3. Each District Association in Massachusetts, consenting to the principles of this Union, as stated in the first article, may appoint two delegates annually, to compose this General Association: and it is recommended, that one be appointed, who attended the preceding year.

4. The time of the annual meeting of this Association, shall be on the fourth Tuesday of June, at five o'clock, P. M., at such place, as shall have been duly notified.

5. Seven members, delegated from the particular Associations of Massachusetts, shall be requisite to form a quorum for transacting any business; but for opening and adjourning the meeting, a less number shall be competent.

6. The secretary, and the minister of the church where the Association meet, shall have seats, and act as members; the Associations to which they belong retaining the right to elect their number of Delegates in addition.

7. The minister of the church in the place where the Association meets, or the secretary, may call the Association to order, and preside in the meeting until the Association shall be properly organized.

8. The certificates of the delegates present shall be read by the Secretary, or by a temporary Scribe; and the Association shall then be organized by the choice of a Moderator, a Scribe, and, if necessary, an assistant Scribe, by ballot. The Rules of the Association shall also be read, and the Moderator shall open the business with prayer.

9. At the opening of the session on each subsequent day, the Moderator shall take the chair at the hour to which the Association stands adjourned; shall immediately call the members to order; direct the roll to be called; shall open the meeting with prayer, and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read; and the session of each day shall be closed with prayer.

10. At each meeting of the Association, a Committee of Arrangements, consisting of three, shall be appointed by nomination, to prepare the business of the session; and no business shall be introduced during the session, but through the hands, and with the approbation of the Committee. But if said Committee decline presenting any item of business proposed by any member, he shall have the privilege of appeal to the Association.

11. Every motion, on being seconded, shall, if requested by the Moderator, or any two members, be reduced to writing, and no motion shall be open to discussion, until it be seconded.

12. The Moderator may speak to points of order, in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house by any two members. But he may not speak to the merits of the question without leaving the chair, and placing some other member in it, to preside while he speaks.

13. On questions of order, adjournment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question, no member shall speak more than once. Nor on any question shall a member speak more than twice, without leave of the Association.

14. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question; viz. Shall the main question be now put? The effect of adopting the previous question shall be to put an end to debate, and to bring the Association to a direct vote upon amendments reported by a Committee, if any, upon pending amendments, and then upon the main question.

15. If a question under debate contain several parts, any member may have it divided, and a question taken on each part.

16. Every member, when speaking, shall address himself to the chair; and shall be subject to no needless interruption; if he act disorderly, it shall be the duty of the Moderator, and the privilege of other members to call him to order.

17. The discussions in the Association, and the whole deportment of

the members, shall be in accordance with decorum, with due respect to the chair, and with courtesy to each other.

18. No member shall leave the Association before the session is closed, except with the consent of the body; nor shall any one leave the house during a sitting, without the consent of the Moderator.

19. Each annual meeting shall be closed with a psalm or hymn, and prayer by the Moderator, or such other member as he shall appoint.

20. Our principles of fraternal intercourse with all ecclesiastical bodies in correspondence with us are, that this Association, and each body connected with it, shall annually appoint Delegates to the other, which shall be admitted to the privilege of sitting, and deliberating upon all matters which may come under consideration.

21. The principle of the connection formed with the Massachusetts Missionary Society is, that said Society may annually appoint two delegates to this body, who shall be admitted to equal privileges with the members from the District Associations.

22. Gentlemen, who are admitted as honorary members, shall be allowed full liberty to take part in all deliberations; though they are not considered as entitled to vote; and it is expected they will give notice to the body, if they find it necessary to withdraw previous to the close of the session. The approbation of the Committee of Arrangements shall be obtained, before a gentleman shall be proposed to sit as an honorary member.

23. The Delegates, who the preceding year attended the meetings of foreign bodies, shall, *ex officio*, have seats as honorary members of the General Association.

24. A Committee of three shall be annually appointed, to submit to the General Association at the next meeting, a *Pastoral Address*, to excite the attention of ministers and Christians to faithful discipline in the churches, the instruction of the rising generation, the sanctification of the Sabbath, and other subjects relating to the general interests of religion. The address being approved by the General Association, shall be signed by the Moderator, and printed with the minutes. This Committee shall be chosen from the several Associations in rotation.

25. The several Associations shall have the offer of receiving, in rotation, the annual meeting of the General Association, and each one, in turn, shall appoint one of their number to preach the Associational Sermon, which shall be delivered at two o'clock, Thursday, P. M., after which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered. The narratives given by the Delegates of the several Associations concerning the state of religion and the churches, shall be given on Wednesday afternoon, and shall be presented in writing, with a view to obtain an accurate account of the principal facts, not however to prevent any more particular details which the Delegates may think expedient to add, or the Association to request. The returns, with respect to the number in the churches, etc.,

shall be made out according to a printed schedule of this body, and according to the numbers on the first of January past.

26. A Committee shall be appointed to receive the narratives and statements, and shall condense them into one narrative, to be submitted to the General Association and published. The written narratives shall be deposited with the Secretary.

27. A Committee shall be appointed to nominate Delegates to foreign bodies, which delegates shall, as far as practicable, be selected from the District Associations in rotation. The brethren chosen substitutes in the delegations to the several bodies in our connection, shall, at our next session be considered as Delegates to the respective bodies, if they shall not previously have taken their seats there, through the failure of their principals.

28. The Secretary shall be chosen for three years, from the close of the meeting at which the choice shall be made. He shall, *ex officio*, be the Treasurer of the General Association; and shall be allowed his own travelling expenses in attending the meetings of this Association. A Committee shall be appointed annually, to audit the accounts, who shall report the state of the treasury, and the sum in their opinion necessary to be paid the next year by the members of the several Associations connected with this body. The Secretary shall be authorized to pay such expenses as are allowed by this Association.

29. It shall be the duty of the Delegates of the District Associations, to pay the amount of the Assessments due from their respective Associations for the past year, whether collected by them or not.

30. A Publishing Committee shall be annually appointed, to make such extracts from the minutes of the meeting, as in their judgment it will be proper to publish; procure to be printed such number of copies, with the Pastoral Address and Narrative of the State of Religion, as will give one copy to each minister of the Associations represented in this body; and such a number of copies for other bodies connected with this Association, as shall be mutually agreed upon. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to receive the publications from foreign bodies, and distribute them among the several Associations, in proportion to the tax paid by them respectively. One copy of each publication, received by the General Association, or printed by its order, shall be kept in the archives.

31. A Statistical Secretary shall be chosen for three years from the first of September following his appointment. It shall be his duty to procure the Statistics of the Churches through the Scribes or other statistical officers of the District Associations; complete and arrange them for publication, and present them in that form and properly combined into a summary, at the same time with the reports of the several District Associations at each session. He shall superintend their printing; shall be a member, *ex-officio*, of this body and of the Publishing Committee, and shall be allowed his travelling expenses in attending the meetings of the Association.

32. Each District Association connected with this body, is requested to appoint a Statistical Scribe, to collect the statistics of the churches within its bounds, in methods designated by this body, and in connection with the Statistical Secretary of the General Association.

33. An Agent shall be appointed in Boston to transmit the Extracts of the Minutes of this General Association to other ecclesiastical bodies, and to receive their Extracts or other publications, and transmit them to the several District Associations represented in this body. And notice of his appointment and place of business, shall be inserted in the printed Extracts. He shall be entitled to a suitable compensation.

34. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to communicate proper information to the Agent in Boston, and to the Publishing Committee, for their direction.

35. Previously to the close of each meeting, the General Association shall specify a place for meeting the next year, and request some District Association to appoint a preacher to deliver the Associational Sermon. And the church of the place of meeting is desired to make preparations to celebrate the Lord's Supper during the session.

36. A *Vote* or *Resolve* to establish, alter, or annul a *standing rule* of this body, shall be read twice on different days, and may be debated at each reading. At the first reading the question shall be, Shall it be read the second time?

BY-LAWS.

1. An annual sermon shall be preached before the Association, on the subject of Home Missions, and a collection taken. The preacher shall be appointed by this body.

2. No report of the state of religion shall be read in public, unless it be approved by the Association from which it comes, or by the Committee of Arrangements of the General Association.

3. It is recommended to the several District Associations, to have their narratives on the state of religion, condensed, so as not to exceed five minutes in the time of reading.

4. The printed Minutes of this Association, shall be sufficient testimonials of the appointment of Delegates to Foreign Bodies.

5. It shall be the duty of those Delegates who attend the meetings of Foreign Bodies, whether they be Primaries or Substitutes, to certify the Secretary in writing, on or before the opening of the annual meeting next after his appointment.

6. The Minutes of this Association shall be sent to the individual members of the Associations connected with this body by mail, and the Chairman of the Committee of Publication, shall furnish a list of the names required to the Agents of the Association.

7. The Minutes of this body, forwarded to the General Association of Connecticut, shall be, according to their request, sent by mail, under the direction of the Publishing Committee.

8. The names of all the members of the Associations belonging to this body, whether with or without charge, shall be inserted in the published returns.

9. Every church without a pastor, by paying twenty-five cents, annually, to the Treasurer of the General Association, through the Treasurer of the local Association, with which said church is connected, shall be entitled to receive the Minutes of the General Association, to be forwarded in the same way as minutes are forwarded to members of the Association.

PLACE OF MEETING.

The order in which the several Associations have the offer of receiving the Annual Meeting of the General Association; Hampshire East having the session of 1857.

Suffolk North,
Suffolk South,
Vineyard Sound,
Bridgewater,
Salem,
Berkshire South,
Mendon,
Andover,
Brewster,
Taunton,
Hampshire,
Essex South,
Hampshire East,
Norfolk,
Berkshire North,
Middlesex South,
Brookfield,
Old Colony,
Pilgrim,
Hampden East,
Essex North,
Hampden West,
Franklin,
Harmony,
Woburn,
Worcester North,
Middlesex Union,
Worcester Central.

SELECTION OF PREACHER.

The order in which the several Associations shall appoint one of their number to preach the Associational Sermon; Brookfield appointing the preacher of 1857.

Worcester Central,
Suffolk North,
Suffolk South,
Bridgewater,
Salem,
Berkshire North,
Vineyard Sound,
Essex South,
Franklin,
Harmony,
Mendon,
Hampden East,
Brookfield,
Hampden West,
Middlesex South,
Norfolk,
Hampshire,
Hampshire East,
Worcester North,
Old Colony,
Pilgrim,
Taunton,
Middlesex Union,
Woburn,
Essex North,
Brewster,
Andover,
Berkshire South.

APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES.

At the meeting in 1857, one Delegate from each District Association will be appointed to the Body whose name stands in the opposite column. It is the privilege of each Association to nominate a Delegate.

Andover and Mendon,	Rhode Island.
Berkshire North and Middlesex South,	Vermont.
Berkshire South and Middlesex Union,	Wisconsin.
Brewster and Norfolk,	Gen. Assembly, (O. S.)
Bridgewater and Old Colony,	Gen. Assembly, (N. S.)
Brookfield,	Canada.
Pilgrim,	Connecticut and Oregon.
Essex North and Salem,	California and Ohio.
Essex South and Suffolk North,	England and Wales.
Franklin and Suffolk South,	Illinois.
Hampden East and Taunton,	Iowa.
Hampden West and Vineyard Sound,	Maine.
Hampshire and Woburn,	Michigan.
Hampshire East and Worcester Central,	New Hampshire.
Harmony and Worcester North,	New York.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

Arranged in the Alphabetical order of the several District Associations.

The columns specifying Churches, Ministers, and date of Settlement, correspond with the facts as they were supposed to exist when the last meeting of the General Association was held, June, 1856. The number of Church Members is reported for 1st January preceding. The Admissions, Removals, and Baptisms, are designed to cover the year 1855. The last column embraces both teachers and pupils who are members of Sabbath Schools and Bible Classes.

In *no* instance has any number appearing in these statistics been supplied from the returns of the previous year; the blanks exist only after strenuous efforts to fill them have failed.

1. ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Andover, South ch.	Oct. 17, 1711	George Moore,	Oct. 10, 1855	96	267	363	50	0	2	2	2	1	0	3	0	1	175
" West ch.	Dec. 5, 1826	James H. Merrill,	April 30, 1856	59	161	220	40	0	1	1	3	4	0	7	0	2	150
" Theol. Sem	Aug. 20, 1816	Faculty of Seminary,	1836 to 1853	48	21	*329	260	8	1	9	2	7	0	9	0	0	40
" Free Chris. ch	1846	Caleb E. Fisher,	June 1, 1855	42	95	137	16	0	5	5	0	5	0	5	0	0	200
Ballardvale, Union ch.	Dec. 31, 1854	Henry S. Greene,	April 1, 1855	10	33	43	4	15	16	31	0	0	0	0	3	8	125
Chelmsford,	April 27, 1824	Benjamin F. Clark,	Aug. 1, 1839	30	58	88	15	0	1	1	0	7	0	7	0	1	95
Dracut, 1st ch.	1711	William Allen,	Stated supply.	25	51	76	7	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
" West ch.	Aug. 31, 1797	Vacant,		18	60	78	11	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	81
" Central ch.	July 25, 1847	Joseph Merrill,	Stated supply.	13	23	36	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	50
Dunstable,	May 12, 1757	Darwin Adams,	Sept. 5, 1850	27	66	93	9	0	2	2	1	2	1	4	0	0	90
Lawrence, 1st ch.	Aug. 8, 1846	Vacant,															
" Central ch	Dec. 25, 1849	William C. Foster,	Jan. 16, 1852	62	178	240	20	15	14	29	2	10	0	12	12	20	242
Lowell, 1st ch.	June 6, 1826	Jonathan L. Jenkins,	Oct. 17, 1855	106	650	756	516	1	4	5	1	21	0	22	1	5	265
" Appleton-st. c.	Dec. 2, 1831	J. P. Cleaveland, D.D.	Oct. 2, 1855	77	344	421	175	0	5	5	3	10	0	13	0	0	267
" John-st. ch.	May 9, 1839	Eden B. Foster,	Feb. 3, 1853	125	373	498	125	15	8	23	2	7	0	9	3	2	415
" Kirk-st. ch.	May 21, 1845	A. Blanchard, D. D.	May 21, 1845	60	187	247	70	6	8	14	9	14	0	23	1	4	268
" High-st. ch.	Jan. 22, 1846	Orpheus T. Lamphear,	Sept. 5, 1855	49	78	127	14	3	7	10	0	4	0	4	0	5	120
Methuen,	Oct. 29, 1729	John C. Phillips,	Dec. 25, 1839	72	158	230	58	1	1	2	2	1	0	3	0	0	150
North Andover,	Sept. 3, 1834	Vacant,		11	59	70	16	3	0	3	3	6	0	9	0	1	130
Tewksbury,	Nov. 29, 1734	Richard Tolman,	Aug. 25, 1852	64	99	163	18	1	1	2	1	3	0	4	1	1	120
Westford,	Dec. 25, 1828	Vacant,		47	99	146	46	2	2	4	1	7	0	8	2	1	100
Total, 21		16		1041	3060	4361	1478	70	80	150	33	112	1	146	23	51	3133

Without Pastoral Charge.—Samuel C. Jackson, D. D., Clerk of Mass. Board of Education, John L Taylor, Prof. E. P. Barrows, David Oliphant, Andover; Joseph Merrill, S. W. Hanks, Sec. Am. Seamen's Friend Society, Isaac Hosford, Lowell; M. Badger, D. D, Sec Am. H. M. Society, New York.

* Including absentees.

2. BERKSHIRE NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Adams, North,	April 19, 1827	Vacant,		39	118	157	41	0	1	1	4	7	0	11	0	0	130
" South,	Jan. 1, 1840	J. Jay Dana,	June 15, 1848	24	68	92	35	1	5	6	1	3	0	4	1	1	89
Becket, North,	Sept. 25, 1849	C. H. Norton,	April 30, 1851	39	50	89	14	0	0	0	2	7	0	9	0	5	75
Dalton,	Feb. 16, 1785	T. A. Hazen,	Oct. 11, 1854	40	80	120	20	38	8	46	1	1	0	2	17	12	50
Hinsdale,	Dec 17, 1795	Vacant,		70	125	195	11	0	4	4	2	8	0	10	0	1	190
Lanesboro',	March 28, 1764	Chauncy Eddy,	Aug. 23, 1853	16	36	52	7	2	2	4	1	2	0	3	0	0	35
Peru,	June, 1770	Moses M. Longley,	Sept. 19, 1855	51	69	120	21	9	0	9	1	5	0	6	2	0	100
Pittsfield, 1st,	Feb. 7, 1764	John Todd, D. D.															
" 2d (colored,)	Feb. 20, 1846	Samuel Harrison,	Aug. 13, 1850	8	23	31	2	20	1	21	0	0	0	0	17	0	30
" South,	Nov. 12, 1850	Vacant,		66	135	201	16	5	6	11	4	7	0	11			150
Richmond,	1765	C. S. Renshaw,	Nov. 16, 1853	27	59	86	10	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	70
Washington,	1772	Eber L. Clark,	Feb. 2, 1853	6	19	25	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	40
Williamstown, 1st,	1765	A. Peters, D. D. / H. R. Hoisington,	Nov. 10, 1841 / Stated supply	100	213	313	51	42	7	49	6	13	3	22	14	2	140
" 2d,	1836	Prof. I. N. Lincoln,	Stated supply	12	30	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
" College ch.	June 15, 1834	Mark Hopkins, D. D.	Sept. 15, 1836	80	0	80	50	12	7	19	0	11	0	11	1	0	0
Windsor,		T. C. Perry,	Stated supply	25	36	61	10	4	2	6	1	0	0	1	0	0	40
Canaan, 4 corn., N. Y.	About 1783	John Wickes,	Dec. 6, 1848	21	44	65	30	0	0	0	0	5	2	7	0	0	105
Total, 17		15		624	1105	1729	321	133	45	178	24	71	5	100	52	21	1274

Without Pastoral Charge.—Heman Humphrey, D. D., Pittsfield; W. H. Tyler, Elizabethtown, N. J.; Dwight W. Marsh, Missionary, Mosul, Turkey; H. A. Wilder, Missionary, South Africa; Marshall D. Sanders, Missionary, Ceylon; Russel S. Cook, Sec. Am. Tract Soc., New York; John Tatlock, N. H. Griffin, I. N. Lincoln, Professors in Williams College; Charles Peabody, Stated supply at North Pownal, Vt.; Calvin Durfee, Financial Agent of Williams College, Williamstown.

3. BERKSHIRE SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Alford,	Aug. 13, 1846	Vacant,		8	20	28	4	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	0	0	0
Becket, 1st ch.	Dec. 28, 1758	Zolva Whitmore,	Feb. 18, 1852	25	63	88	17	0	0	0	0	9	0	9	0	1	70
Egremont,	Nov. 22, 1816	James B. Cleaveland,	July 12, 1855	32	75	107	14	27	11	38	3	2	0	5	13	4	64
Great Barrington,	Dec. 28, 1743	Steph. S. N Greeley,	Feb. 4, 1852	64	167	231	41	2	8	10	3	8	0	11	0	5	340
" Housatonic,	June 18, 1841	Edward Giddings,	Stated supply.	34	66	100	62	0	0	0	0	8	0	8	0	0	40
Lee,	May 25, 1780	Nahum Gale,	Sept. 1, 1853	123	216	339	43	6	6	12	5	11	0	16	3	13	225
Lenox,	1769	Edmund K. Alden,	Nov. 15, 1854	70	163	233	26	6	6	12	9	6	0	15	2	2	175
Monterey,	Sept. 25, 1750	Winthrop H. Phelps,	Dec. 27, 1854	36	73	109	17	13	6	19	1	1	0	2	7	6	75
New Marlboro', 1st ch	Oct. 31, 1744	Richard T. Searle,	Sept. 28, 1852	39	85	124	33	8	1	9	1	6	0	7	5	0	125
" Southfield	April 25, 1794	Otis Lombard,	June 14, 1849	18	43	61	14	3	1	4	3	0	0	3	1	0	75
Otis,	Sept. 14, 1795	Thomas A. Hall,	Stated supply.	23	55	78	15	0	1	1	1	3	0	4	0	2	0
Sandisfield,	Feb. 24, 1756	Aaron Pickett,	Jan. 23, 1851	53	139	192	50	1	2	3	2	0	0	2	1	0	150
Sheffield,	Oct. 22, 1735	George E. Hill,	May 16, 1855	30	104	134	50	14	2	16	4	1	0	5	12	6	122
Stockbridge,	1734	Alfred H. Dashiell, Jr.	Dec. 11, 1850	87	156	243	39	16	0	16	6	7	3	16	1	8	150
" Curtisville,	Dec. 22, 1824	George Uhler,	Stated supply.	35	68	103	48	15	1	16	0	0	0	0	5	4	50
W. Stockbridge, Cen.	June 4, 1784	Lewis Pennell,	Dec. 6, 1854	30	53	83	9	2	2	4	2	2	0	4	2	0	50
" Village,	Dec. 25, 1833	Walter P. Doe,	Stated supply.	40	62	102	56	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	66
Austerlitz, N. Y.	March 21, 1792	Samuel Utley,	June 17, 1848	15	25	40	9	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	40
Total, 18		17		762	1633	2395	547	114	47	161	41	71	3	115	52	51	1817

Without Pastoral Charge.—James Bradford, Sheffield; John C. Brigham, D. D., Sec. Am. Bible Soc., New York; David D. Field, D. D., Stockbridge.

4. BREWSTER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Chatham,	June 15, 1710	Noadiah S. Dickinson,	Dec. 29, 1852	39	114	153	6	1	1	2	2	1	0	3	1	4	175
Dennis, South,	June 16, 1807	Vacant,		35	87	122	12	3	1	4	1	5	3	9	2	7	150
Eastham,	1646	Ebenezer Chace,	April 29, 1853	16	35	51	2	5	1	6	0	1	0	1	0	1	35
Harwich,	Nov. 6, 1747	Moses H. Wilder,	Oct. 1, 1851	22	64	86	14	3	0	3	4	21	0	25	2	3	100
" Port, Pilgrim ch.	April 3, 1855	Charles Morgridge,	Stated supply.	10	13	23	1	3	20	23	0	0	0	0	3	0	130
Hyannis,	Jan. 3, 1854	John U. Parsons,	Aug. 1, 1853	6	16	22	2	3	4	7	0	0	0	0	1	1	125
Orleans,	1719	Jacob White,	June 1, 1841	35	102	137	4	6	0	6	5	3	0	8	5	1	250
Provincetown,	1714	Osborne Myrick,	Feb. 18, 1846	9	35	44	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	65
Sandwich, Puritan ch.	March 21, 1847	Vacant,		16	37	53	0	12	1	13	0	0	0	0	4	4	40
Truro,	Nov. 1, 1711	Edward W. Noble,	Dec. 26, 1849	32	62	94	8	0	2	2	2	8	0	10	0	2	120
" North,	May 22, 1842	*Job Cushman,	Stated supply.	5	13	18	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	30
Wellfleet, 1st ch.	1730	George Denham,	May 4, 1853	78	126	204	12	3	2	5	2	3	0	5	2	1	200
" South,	Dec. 4, 1833	Vacant,		38	70	108	17	3	0	3	2	3	0	5	2	1	108
Yarmouth,	1639	Abel K. Packard,	Dec. 16, 1851	32	86	118	15	3	0	3	4	0	0	4	1	14	131
" West,	Sept. 30, 1840	Vacant,		7	40	47	2	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	40
Total, 15		10		380	900	1280	96	46	34	80	23	48	3	74	23	39	1699

Without Pastoral Charge.—E. Pratt, Brewster; Cyrus Stone, Giles Pease, Boston; John H. Wells, Kingston, R. I.; Nathaniel Cogswell, Stated supply at Carver; Enoch Sanford, Stated supply at Dighton.

* Not a member of the Association.

5. BRIDGEWATER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Bridgewater,—																	
Trin. ch.	Oct. 17, 1821	David Brigham,	April 23, 1844	30	57	87	10	1	0	1	3	3	0	6	1	1	125
" Scotland ch.	July 1, 1836	Otis Rockwood,	Stated supply.	6	20	26	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	40
E. Bridgewater,—																	
Trin. ch.	Nov. 14, 1849	Baalis Sanford,	April 3, 1850	20	24	44	0	3	3	6	0	0	0	0	3	2	85
Dighton,	1710	Enoch Sanford,	Stated supply	17	31	48	7	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	3	45
Lakeville,	Oct 6, 1725	Calvin Chapman,	Oct. 22, 1851	49	82	131	21	0	2	2	3	1	0	4	0	0	80
Middleboro', 1st ch.	Dec. 26, 1694	I. W. Putnam, D. D.	Oct. 28, 1835	50	117	167	33	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	3	120
" North, 1st ch.	Feb. 4, 1743	Charles Packard,	Oct. 17, 1855	28	72	100	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	100
Total, 7		7		200	403	603	76	4	5	9	8	7	0	15	5	9	595

Without Pastoral Charge.—Otis Thompson, Abington; Ebenezer Gay, Stetson Raymond, Bridgewater.

6. BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Brimfield,	1725	Jason Morse,	Dec. 12, 1849	63	166	229	35	5	3	8	3	2	0	5	1	1	200
Brookfield,	April 15, 1756	Jesse K. Bragg,	Sept. 14, 1852	40	106	146	18	6	6	12	2	5	0	7	4	1	120
Charlton,	April 16, 1761	John Haven,	July 12, 1855	20	74	94	17	4	0	4	1	1	0	2	1	0	125
Dana, Centre,	Sept. 28, 1852	John Keep,	Nov. 15, 1853	9	21	30	0	2	6	8	0	0	0	0	2	1	60
Dudley,	1732	Henry Pratt,	Oct. 25, 1854	37	96	133	12	9	4	13	6	0	0	6	4	0	125
Hardwick,	Nov. 17, 1736	Martyn Tupper,	June 23, 1852	24	59	83	25	1	0	1	4	6	0	10	1	0	153
Holland,	Sept. 12, 1765	—— Wood,	Stated supply.	12	25	37	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	68
New Braintree,	1754	John H. Gurney,	April 23, 1856	19	71	90	8	0	0	0	2	2	2	6	0	0	100
North Brookfield, 1st,	May 28, 1752	{ Thomas Snell, D. D { Christop'r Cushing,	June 27, 1798 Sept. 17, 1851	87	179	266	12	9	9	18	6	14	0	20	6	2	300
" Union,	June 6, 1854	Levi F. Waldo,	June 7, 1854	31	59	90	3	7	18	25	1	2	0	3	3	0	240
Oakham,	June 23, 1773	James Kimball,	Dec. 25, 1832	72	149	221	42	6	4	10	3	10	2	15	6	2	200
Southbridge,	Sept. 16, 1801	{ Eber Carpenter, { Isaac G Bliss,	Dec. 1, 1835 Stated supply.	57	142	199	55	12	5	17	4	4	0	8	2	1	180
Spencer,	May 17, 1744	S. G. Dodd,	Aug. 23, 1854	33	71	104		2	4	6	1	2	0	3	2	8	200
Sturbridge,	Sept. 22, 1736	Vacant,		74	185	259	64	0	7	7	1	10	0	11	0	4	200
Ware,	May 9, 1751	S. W. Banister,	May 23, 1855	43	89	132	27	0	5	5	3	1	0	4	0	3	140
" Village,	April 12, 1826	A. E. P. Perkins,	Dec. 5, 1855	77	168	245	42	9	8	17	5	10	0	15	3	0	200
Warren,	Probably 1742	Stephen S. Smith,	April 13, 1854	51	109	160	15	3	0	3	4	4	0	8	1	6	200
West Brookfield,	1685	Swift Byington,	Nov. 17, 1852	100	150	250	50	5	3	8	5	6	1	12	3	5	110
Total, 18		19		849	1919	2768	433	80	82	162	51	79	5	135	39	34	2921

Without Pastoral Charge.—David Perry, Brookfield; Isaac G. Bliss, Southbridge.

7. ESSEX NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Amesbury, West,	May 19, 1726	Leander Thompson,	Sept. 20, 1854	69	145	214	31	37	2	39	5	1	0	6	24	2	170
" Mills,	Dec 6, 1831	Vacant,		65	166	231	55	5	2	7	3	1	0	4	1	2	170
" and Salisbury,	Oct. 14, 1835	James M. Bacon,	June 25, 1851	17	54	71	9	5	2	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	85
Boxford, West,	Dec. 9, 1736	Calvin E. Park,	Oct. 14, 1846	28	48	76	6	0	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	0	70
Bradford,	Nov. 21, 1682	James T. McCollom,	Jan. 25, 1854	70	125	195	12	21	6	27	1	4	0	5	10	5	235
Georgetown,	Oct. 4, 1732	{ Isaac Braman,	June 7, 1799														
		{ John M. Prince,	Feb. 3, 1847	47	106	153	15	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	250
		{ G. B. Perry, D. D.	Sept. 28, 1814														
Groveland,	June 7, 1727	{ Daniel W. Pickard,	Sept. 28, 1853	55	116	171	12	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	150
Haverhill, West,	Oct. 1735	Asa Farwell,	April 21, 1853	39	61	100	10	2	6	8	5	3	1	9	2	1	155
" East,	1743	Wales Lewis,	July 18, 1849	12	22	34	3	7	0	7	0	0	0	0	7	0	55
" Centre,	Aug. 23, 1833	Benj. F. Hosford,	May 21, 1845	65	135	200	22	2	5	7	4	0	0	4	1	9	160
" Winter-st. ch.	May 13, 1839	Leonard S. Parker,	June 1, 1853	41	52	93	9	3	2	5	1	1	0	2	2	1	170
*Ipswich, 1st ch.	1634	{ D. T. Kimball,															
		{ Robert Southgate,															
" Linebrook,	Dec 13, 1849	J. W. Neally,	Stated supply.	23	26	49	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	55
Newbury, 1st ch.	June 16, 1635	L Withington, D. D.	Oct 31, 1816	40	110	150	14	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	4	100
" Byfield ch.	Nov. 17, 1706	Francis V. Tenney,	March 7, 1850	40	67	107	18	1	4	5	4	4	0	8	0	0	150
Newburyp't, North ch.	Jan. 18, 1768	L. F. Dimmick, D. D.	Dec. 8, 1819	60	270	330	3	1	4	5	9	4	0	13	0	2	160
" 4th ch.	May 30, 1793	Randolph Campbell,	Oct. 12, 1837	67	150	217		0	0	0	4	2	0	6	2	0	175
" Belleville,	April, 1808	Daniel T. Fiske,	Aug. 18, 1847	56	112	168	8	1	0	1	4	3	1	8	1	2	180
" Whitefield ch.	Jan. 1, 1850	Samuel J. Spaulding,	June 30, 1851	28	104	132	14	3	8	11	1	4	0	5	2	2	170
Rowley,	Dec. 4, 1639	John Pike,	Nov. 18, 1840	45	101	146	0	3	2	5	3	3	1	7	3	1	100
Salisbury, Hill,	Nov. 19, 1718	Benj. Sawyer,	Stated supply.														
W. Newbury, 1st ch.	Oct. 26, 1698	Vacant,		15	35	50	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	85
" 2d ch.	Sept. 1, 1731	Davis Foster,	Nov. 1, 1855	40	98	138	14	0	0	0	6	1	0	7	0	3	100
Total, 22		23		922	2103	3025	268	92	47	139	56	33	3	92	56	36	2945

Without Pastoral Charge.—Nathan Munroe, Sec. Am. S. S. Union for N. E., Bradford; John Q. A. Edgell, Agent for Western Colleges, Andover; John P. Cowles, Principal of Young Ladies Sem., Ipswich; Albert Paine, West Amesbury; Willard Holbrook, Rowley; Henry A. Woodman, Newburport.

* Reported in Essex South, of which Mr. Southgate is a member.

8. ESSEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Int.	
Beverly, Washington-street ch.	Feb. 8, 1837	Alonzo B. Rich,	Dec. 8, 1852	31	94	125	6	5	1	6	7	1	0	8	0	4	152
Danvers, 2d ch.	Dec. 5, 1844	James Fletcher,	June 20, 1849	26	57	83	2	1	1	2	1	4	0	5	0	4	275
Essex,	Aug. 12, 1683	Vacant,		43	78	121	7	2	0	2	2	1	0	3	0	6	130
Gloucester, Harbor,	Nov. 17, 1829	Vacant,		22	115	137	16	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0	75
" Lanesville,	Aug. 25, 1830	Nathaniel Richardson,	Dec. 14, 1854	15	30	45	6	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	150
" West,	March 23, 1829	Levi Wheaton,	Jan. 23, 1850	8	23	31	2	2	0	2	2	1	1	4	0	0	91
Hamilton,	Oct. 12, 1714	John H. Mordough,	June 12, 1850	54	100	154	15	1	2	3	4	0	2	6	1	1	110
Ipswich, 1st ch.	1634	David T. Kimball,* / Robert Southgate,	Oct. 8, 1806 / July 24, 1851	48	157	205	17	3	1	4	2	2	0	4	0	0	175
" South ch.	Aug. 22, 1747	Daniel Fitz,	June 28, 1826	46	146	192	22	0	0	0	6	6	0	12	0	4	150
Lynnfield Centre,	1720	Edwin R. Hodgman,	Jan. 9, 1856	15	41	56	7	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	80
Manchester,	Nov. 7, 1716	Rufus Taylor,	May 6, 1852	70	160	230	23	1	2	3	7	0	0	7	0	0	240
Middleton,	Oct. 22, 1729	Vacant,		46	109	155	39	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	100
Rockport, 1st ch.	Feb. 13, 1755	Wakefield Gale,	May 4, 1836	119	187	306	13	0	0	0	2	26	0	28	0	7	285
" 2d ch.	March 15, 1855	David Bremner,	May 2, 1855	14	14	28	0	1	23	24	0	0	0	0	0	2	70
Salem, Crombie-st.	May 3, 1832	James M. Hoppin,	March 27, 1850	54	186	240	23	3	6	9	4	2	0	6	1	18	200
" Howard-st.	Dec. 29, 1803	Ephraim W. Allen,	Sept. 30, 1852	21	91	112	22	5	5	10	3	6	3	12	0	3	176
" 3d ch.	1735	B. Emerson, D. D. / Israel E Dwinell,	April 24, 1805 / Nov. 22, 1849	79	255	334	52	5	9	14	9	4	0	13	1	5	476
South Danvers, 1st ch.	Sept. 23, 1713	James O. Murray,	Oct. 26, 1854	67	168	235	18	21	4	25	5	3	0	8	8	6	235
Total, 18	16			778	2011	2789	290	50	56	106	58	62	6	126	11	62	3170

Without Pastoral Charge.—None. Reuben Emerson is pastor at South Reading.

* A member of Essex North Association.

9. FRANKLIN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Ashfield, 1st,	Feb. 22, 1763	Willard Brigham,	March 12, 1856	46	85	131	12	2	1	3	3	8	1	12	1	5	150
" 2d,	June 13, 1855	Edward Clarke,	June 24, 1856	20	27	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	50
Bernardston,	Jan. 13, 1824	Harrison G. Park,	Pastor elect.	21	39	60	10	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	50
Buckland,	Oct. 1785	Asa B. Smith,	March 22, 1845	59	104	163	7	0	6	6	8	8	0	16	0	2	150
Charlemont, 1st,	June 6, 1788	Matthew Kingman,	June 6, 1854	35	60	95	18	4	5	9	0	4	0	4	2	1	120
" East,	Aug. 6, 1845	Aaron Foster,	Feb. 13, 1850	23	52	75	13	1	0	1	0	5	0	5	0	1	125
Coleraine,	1750	L. L. Langstroth,	Stated supply.	13	37	50	7	9	3	12	2	1	0	3	7	0	100
Conway,	July 14, 1768	George M. Adams,	Sept. 18, 1851	106	216	322	26	25	8	33	6	23	1	30	9	2	300
Deerfield, Orthodox c.	June 2, 1835	Vacant,		22	52	74	8	4	0	4	2	4	0	6	2	0	60
" South, 1st,	June 30, 1818	Perkins K. Clark,	Stated supply.	26	49	75	5	0	3	3	2	3	0	5	0	2	90
" Monument ch.	Jan. 25, 1848	David A. Strong,	March 21, 1849	28	49	77	7	1	1	2	2	2	0	4	0	3	100
Erving, Ev. Cong. ch.	Sept. 19, 1832	Eli Moody,	Stated supply.	12	17	29	12	5	6	11	1	0	0	1	4	0	45
Gill,	1793	A. B. Foster,	Stated supply.	9	42	51	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	50
Greenfield, 1st,	March 28, 1754	A. Chandler, D. D.	Oct. 25, 1832	13	37	50	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	80
" 2d,	Jan. 15, 1817	Vacant,		50	100	150	40	2	10	12	0	8	0	8	0	0	150
Hawley, East,	Sept 6, 1793	Henry Seymour,	Oct. 3, 1849	29	55	84	4	2	0	2	3	2	0	5	1	2	100
" West,	Aug 24, 1825	Jeremiah Pomeroy,	Stated supply.	16	22	38	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	60
Heath,	April 15, 1785	Edward B. Emerson,	Jan. 24, 1855	28	80	108	11	1	3	4	3	0	0	3	0	1	150
Montague,	1752	Vacant,		48	107	155	20	5	1	6	1	2	3	6	4	6	200
Northfield, Trin. ch.	Nov. 30, 1825	Daniel C. Frost,	Stated supply	15	30	45	4	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	65
Orange,	Sept. 23, 1846	David Peck,	Oct. 13, 1852	39	86	125	8	33	6	39	0	1	0	1	26	1	160
Rowe, Ev. Cong. ch.	April 10, 1833	Vacant,		7	19	26	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shelburne, 1st,	1770	Richard S. Billings,	June, 6, 1855	38	58	96	3	8	1	9	5	1	0	6	2	1	101
" Falls,	March 6, 1850	Wilbur F. Loomis,	April 15, 1856	32	56	88	22	8	11	19	0	13	0	13	7	0	175
Shutesbury,	Oct. 27, 1742	James Tisdale,	Stated supply	13	30	43	8	0	0	0	1	5	0	6	0	0	60
Sunderland,	1718	Sereno D. Clark,	May 31, 1853	84	118	202	14	0	1	1	4	5	0	9	0	7	155
Warwick,	June 10, 1829	Henry M. Bridge,	May 16, 1855	12	41	53	5	0	1	1	2	2	0	4	0	0	85
Wendell,	Nov. 30, 1774	Vacant,		11	30	41	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	90
Total, 28		23		855	1698	2553	284	110	74	184	49	97	5	151	65	39	3051

Without Pastoral Charge.—Horatio Flagg, Coleraine; John Ferguson, Whately; Roger C. Hatch, Warwick; George L. Hovey, Greenfield, Dist. Secretary Am. and For. Christian Union; Edward F. Brooks; William H. Gilbert, Granby, Ct.

10. HAMPDEN EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Chicopee, 1st ch.	Sept. 27, 1752	Eli B. Clark,	Oct. 16, 1839	35	59	94	9	16	4	20	1	4	1	6	5	1	65
" 2d ch.	July 3, 1830	R. B. Thurston,	Stated supply.	26	75	101	23	0	1	1	1	11	1	13	0	2	120
" 3d ch.	Oct. 16, 1834	Vacant,		62	151	213	52	7	12	19	3	21	0	24	3	4	200
Longmeadow,	Oct. 17, 1716	John W. Harding,	Jan. 1, 1850	67	130	197	12	4	9	13	1	5	0	6	0	5	125
" East,	April 22, 1829	J. R. Brown,	Dec. 13, 1854	24	73	97	9	3	2	5	6	8	0	14	2	3	50
Ludlow, 1st ch.	1789	J. W. Tuck,	Sept. 6, 1843	55	87	142	10	2	0	2	2	6	0	8	2	3	200
" 2d ch.	June 6, 1847	Vacant,		3	6	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Monson,	June 23, 1762	{ Alfred Ely, D. D. / { T. G. Colton,	Dec 17, 1806 / March 28, 1855	110	206	316	100	20	13	33	6	8	0	14	10	2	200
Palmer, 1st ch.	1730	J. H. M. Leland,	Stated supply.	22	65	87	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	50
" 2d ch.	April 1, 1847	J. Vaill, D. D.	Dec. 7, 1854	24	46	70	6	3	8	11	1	1	0	2	0	1	95
South Hadley Falls,	Aug. 12, 1824	Richard Knight,	Stated supply.	21	45	66	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	127
Springfield, 1st ch.	1637	{ S. Osgood, D. D. / { H. M. Parsons,	Jan. 25, 1809 / Nov. 15, 1854	82	266	348	25	17	34	51	5	15	1	21	4	12	220
" Olivet,	1833	G. D. F. Folsom,	May 23, 1855	40	108	148	13	2	9	11	1	5	0	6	1	1	125
" South,	March 23, 1842	S. G. Buckingham,	June 16, 1847	103	193	296	32	2	25	27	1	18	1	20	0	8	175
" North,	Oct. 28, 1846	R. H. Seeley,	March 1, 1849	56	100	156	18	8	21	29	3	10	4	17	3	7	159
" Indian Orchard,	March 28, 1848	Vacant,		9	20	29	3	10	7	17	0	0	0	0	5	2	40
Wilbraham,	June, 1741	John Bowers,	Dec 13, 1837	59	104	163	44	4	0	4	4	2	0	6	0	3	100
" South,	1785	J. C. Houghton,	April 11, 1855	31	71	102	18	1	4	5	3	1	0	4	0	3	50
Total, 18	16			829	1805	2634	386	99	149	248	40	117	8	165	35	57	2101

Without Pastoral Charge.—C. B. Kittredge, Monson; S. Hine; F. A. Barton, Indian Orchard; W. E. Dixon, Ellington, Ct.; P. H. Snow, Baltimore, Md.; W. S. Blanchard.

11. HAMPDEN WEST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Agawam,	Sept 1, 1819	Ralph Perry,	Dec. 28, 1847	30	66	96	10	2	1	3	2	13	0	15	0	2	70
" Feeding Hills,	Nov. 10, 1762	S. D. Ward,	Oct. 18, 1853	27	52	79	18	0	3	3	1	12	0	13	0	0	50
Blandford,	1735	Charles J. Hinsdale,	Jan. 20, 1836	40	86	126	24	0	1	1	1	2	0	3	0	1	120
Chester,	1765	Hugh Gibson,	Stated supply.	26	41	67	10	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	60
" Factories,	Nov. 13, 1844	Vacant,		9	17	26	3	2	11	13	0	4	0	4	1	6	25
Granville, East,	1747	T. M. Cooley, D. D.	Feb. 3, 1796	28	62	90	8	7	4	11	3	3	1	7	4	0	70
" West,	1786	S. W. Edson,	Stated supply.	27	35	62	10	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	40
Holyoke, 1st ch.	Dec. 4, 1799	Simeon Miller,	May 7, 1846	22	37	59	11	2	0	2	0	3	0	3	0	0	80
" 2d ch.	May 24, 1849	J. B. R. Walker,	Nov. 8, 1855	29	45	74	24	1	0	1	0	7	0	7	0	4	112
Huntington, 2d ch.	Aug. 26, 1846	Townsend Walker,	Dec. 27, 1843	22	33	55	4	1	4	5	1	11	0	12	0	2	110
Montgomery,	June 30, 1797	Vacant,		7	15	22	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	30
Southwick,	Aug. 16, 1773	James A. Clark,	Stated supply.	25	64	89	19	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0	70
Tolland,	1797	Franklin D. Austin,	June 23, 1853	37	72	109	7	10	2	12	1	1	0	2	5	4	90
Westfield, 1st ch.	Aug. 27, 1679	Emerson Davis, D. D.	June 1, 1836	84	237	*351	17	10	17	27	11	16	0	27	3	4	250
" 2d ch.	May 22, 1856	Francis Homes,	Stated supply.	30	32	†62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	140
West Springfield,	June, 1698	Theron H. Hawks,	March 7, 1855	77	153	230	24	16	2	18	7	4	0	11	5	1	245
" Mettineague,	June 10, 1850	Vacant,		13	32	45	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
Total, 17		14		503	1047	1610	211	53	45	98	31	78	1	110	19	24	1622

Without Pastoral Charge.—None. Francis Norwood is Stated supply in Hartland, Ct.; Richard Knight is Stated supply at South Hadley Falls.

* Including 60 members afterwards dismissed to 2d church.

† This church, being organized since Jan. 1, 1856, is not included in the sum total of members; 60 of its members were dismissed from the 1st church.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Chesterfield,	Oct. 30, 1764	Vacant,		12	44	56	4	0	0	0	3	0	1	4	0	0	0
Cummington, 1st,	July 7, 1779	Vacant,		22	45	67	20	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	90
" Village,	July 1, 1839	Theodore J. Clark,	Oct. 11, 1842	28	44	72	8	0	4	4	3	2	0	5	0	2	100
" West,	Dec. 2, 1840	Joseph B. Baldwin,	Sept. 1, 1841	25	49	74	20	0	0	0	1	8	0	9	0	1	40
Easthampton, 1st,	Nov. 17, 1785	Aaron M. Colton,	March 2, 1853			268		7	4	11	8	10	1	19	3	5	150
" Payson ch.	Dec. 28, 1852	Rollin S. Stone,	Dec. 29, 1852	46	106	152	20	7	10	17	2	11	0	13	2	4	200
Goshen,	Dec. 21, 1780	Thomas H. Rood,	Jan. 31, 1855	29	62	91	15	5	1	6	2	0	0	2	0	3	75
Hatfield,	1670	Vacant,		78	141	219	20	0	4	4	6	7	0	13	0	6	110
Huntington, 1st,	1778	Vacant,		49	74	123	32	1	0	1	1	7	0	8	0	4	150
Middlefield,	Nov. 18, 1783	Moody Harrington,	June 28, 1854	20	29	49	1	1	4	5	2	4	0	6	0	2	40
Northampton, 1st,	June 18, 1661	Vacant,		145	380	525		1	2	3	7	15	0	22	1	11	300
" Edwards ch.	Jan. 30, 1833	Gordon Hall,	June 2, 1852	89	173	262	20	10	11	21	3	5	0	8	4	4	250
Plainfield,	Aug. 31, 1786	Vacant,		43	87	130	22	0	1	1	1	5	0	6	0	0	174
Southampton,	June 8, 1743	Stephen C. Strong,	April 12, 1854	156	185	341	50	2	2	4	8	4	0	12	1	5	285
Westhampton,	Sept. 1, 1779	Vacant,		63	102	165	10	2	0	2	3	2	0	5	1	3	175
Whately, 1st,	Aug. 21, 1771	C. N. Seymour,	March 9, 1853	58	83	141	20	1	1	2	5	0	2	7	1	0	140
" 2d,	Nov. 10, 1842	Charles Lord,	March 20, 1856	30	52	82	7	5	1	6	2	2	0	4	2	3	70
Williamsburg,	1773	Vacant,		94	151	245	37	4	11	15	4	8	0	12	3	3	175
" Haydenville,	March 1, 1851	Elisha W. Cooke,	June 14, 1854	37	75	112	8	32	8	40	0	2	0	2	21	2	100
Worthington,	April 1, 1771	John H. Bisbee,	Dec. 19, 1838	79	126	205	20	0	7	7	4	4	0	8	0	7	300
Total, 20		12		1103	2008	3379	334	78	71	149	65	100	4	169	39	64	2624

Without Pastoral Charge.—S. Lyman, Erastus Clapp, Easthampton.

13. HAMPSHIRE EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Amherst, 1st ch.	Nov. 7, 1739	Edward S. Dwight,	July 19, 1854	114	222	336	64	13	6	19	8	4	0	12	3	2	150
" 2d ch.	Nov. 11, 1782	Chas. L. Woodworth,	Nov. 7, 1849	42	116	158	15	1	9	10	2	5	0	7	1	5	175
" South ch.	Oct. 14, 1824	James L. Merrick,	Jan. 31, 1849	35	91	126	6	5	1	6	1	3	0	4	1	7	100
" North ch.	Nov. 15, 1826	George E. Fisher,	Sept. 16, 1852	91	148	239	15	6	4	10	1	5	0	6	3	7	150
" College ch.	March 7, 1826	Wm. A. Stearns, D. D.	Nov. 21, 1854	61	19	80	17	19	14	33	1	0	0	1	4	0	0
Belchertown,	1739	Henry B. Blake,	June 26, 1855	125	281	406	55	0	8	8	10	12	0	22	0	3	300
Enfield,	1790	Robert McEwen,	Feb. 16, 1842	120	198	318	58	7	1	8	6	1	1	8	4	2	120
Granby,	1760	Henry Mills,	Nov. 23, 1854	94	154	248	30	5	0	5	6	1	0	7	0	12	225
Greenwich,	1749	Edward P. Blodgett,	July 5, 1843	37	100	137	25	3	1	4	2	3	0	5	0	0	190
Hadley, 1st ch.	1659	Rowland Ayres,	Jan. 12, 1848	67	118	185	39	13	2	15	5	4	0	9	2	8	220
" 2d ch.	Oct. 26, 1831	Warren H. Beaman,	Sept. 15, 1841	29	65	94	27	3	3	6	2	4	0	6	0	7	125
" 3d ch.	July 15, 1841	J. Woodbridge, D. D.	Feb. 16, 1842	34	62	96	0	6	4	10	1	2	0	3	0	8	70
Leverett,	1784	David Eastman,	Feb. 12, 1840	33	71	104	15	5	0	5	1	0	0	1	1	2	90
Pelham,	1837	Vacant,															
Prescott,	1823	Vacant,															
South Hadley, 1st ch.	1733	Edward Y. Swift,	Nov. 3, 1852	74	163	237	53	12	5	17	3	19	0	22	4	4	135
Total, 16		14		956	1808	2764	419	98	58	156	49	63	1	113	23	67	2050

Without Pastoral Charge.—Edward Hitchcock, D. D., Joseph H. Patrick, John A. Nash, Amherst; Joseph W. Curtis, Hadley; William Tyler, Pawtucket; Roswell Hawks, South Hadley; James Bates, Granby; Lot B. Sullivan, Dana Goodsell, Charles Galpin.

14. HARMONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Blackstone,	April 15, 1841	*Thomas E. Bliss,	Stated supply	15	40	55	33	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1	100
" Millville,†																	
Douglas,	Nov. 11, 1747	Vacant,		9	31	40	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	50
" East,	June 12, 1834	Joshua L. Maynard,	July 7, 1852	44	100	144	11	2	3	5	1	4	0	5	1	1	240
Grafton,	Dec. 28, 1731	Thomas C. Biscoe,	July 18, 1838	100	193	293	35	10	7	17	1	6	0	7	3	8	300
Millbury, 1st ch.	Oct. 10, 1747	Nathaniel Beach,	Nov. 22, 1837	42	126	168	26	3	2	5	2	6	0	8	0	4	175
" 2d ch.	Aug. 23, 1827	Lewis Jessup,	April 24, 1856	148	101	249	73	1	6	7	6	3	2	11	0	4	224
" Grass Hill,†																	
Northbridge,	June 20, 1782	William Bates,	Nov. 5, 1845	28	62	90	12	3	0	3	3	0	0	3	2	0	100
" Whitinsville,	July 31, 1834	Lewis F. Clark,	June 1, 1842	41	100	141	20	1	13	14	3	7	0	10	0	7	225
Sutton,	1720	George Lyman,	Nov. 12, 1851	58	130	188	30	4	0	4	0	2	0	2	2	1	130
Upton,	1735	William Warren,	Nov. 14, 1849	73	181	254	50	0	0	0	10	3	1	4	0	0	400
Uxbridge,	Jan. 17, 1731	Jacob J. Abbott,	April 3, 1850	31	124	155	38	4	2	6	4	2	0	6	3	2	236
Total, 13		10		589	1188	1777	338	28	33	61	32	34	3	69	13	28	2180

Without Pastoral Charge.—M. Burdett, Philadelphia, Pa.; Sidney Holman, West Millbury; John Orcutt, Hartford, Ct.; David Holman, Douglas.

* A member of Taunton Association. † These churches are virtually extinct.

15. MENDON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Dover,	Oct. 33, 1839	John Haskell,	Dec. 25, 1850	14	26	40	10	0	5	5	3	3	0	6	0	0	40
Foxboro',	Nov. 25, 1779	Edmund Y. Garrette,	April 12, 1854	41	101	142	7	22	4	26	1	2	1	4	12	5	218
Franklin,	Feb. 16, 1738	Samuel Hunt,	Dec. 4, 1850	55	131	186		0	5	5	3	13	0	16	0	4	150
" South,	Sept. 13, 1855	Joseph Thayer,	Stated supply.	11	18	29	0	11	0	11	0	0	0	0	8	0	60
Holliston,	Nov. 20, 1728	Joshua T. Tucker,	June 6, 1849	64	211	275	16	9	14	23	5	6	0	11	6	3	350
Mansfield,	May 9, 1838	Jacob Ide, Jr.	March 26, 1856	29	51	80	14	0	0	0	1	1	1	3	0	4	100
Medfield, 2d ch.	Feb. 6, 1828	Andrew Bigelow,	Sept. 12, 1855	20	50	70	0	0	5	5	0	2	0	2	0	1	100
Medway, 1st ch.	1724	Vacant,		39	80	119	12	7	3	10	2	3	1	6	2	4	162
" 2d ch.	Oct. 4, 1750	Jacob Ide,	Nov. 2, 1814	56	124	180	21	14	3	17	4	8	0	12	6	4	170
" Village ch.	Sept. 7, 1838	David Sanford,	Oct. 3, 1838	49	131	180	26	1	1	2	2	4	0	6	0	1	175
Mendon,	Aug. 13, 1828	Elijah Demond,	Stated supply.	8	26	34	7	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	43
Milford,	April 15, 1741	James T. Woodbury,	July 15, 1852	57	116	173	8	12	10	22	3	4	1	8	3	6	220
Walpole,	1826	Edwin H. Nevin,	Nov. 15, 1854	44	122	166	0	11	3	14	1	2	0	3	0	3	125
Wrentham,	April 13, 1692	William L. Ropes,	Sept. 14, 1853	49	173	222	52	2	5	7	3	3	1	7	1	2	160
" North,	June 16, 1798	Vacant,		10	24	34	2	1	0	1	1	1	0	2	1	1	50
Total, 15		13		546	1384	1930	175	91	59	150	29	52	5	86	40	38	2123

Without Pastoral Charge.—John Dwight, North Wrentham; Sewall Harding, Thomas T. Richmond, Boston; Calvin Hitchcock, D. D., Wrentham; Asa Hixon, Franklin; Caleb Kimball, Medway; John O. Means; D. J. Poor, Gorham, Me.; Edward Pratt, City Missionary, New York; Andrew H. Reed, Mendon; T. D. Southworth; T. D. P. Stone, Norwich, Ct.; Thomas Williams, Providence, R. I.

16. MIDDLESEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Ashland,	Jan. 1835	Wm. M. Thayer,	June 20, 1849	50	90	140	31	33	5	38	0	3	0	3	19	0	230
Concord,	June 5, 1826	Luther H. Angier,	Chosen 1852			112		3	2	5	2	0	0	2	1		75
Framingham, Hollis so	Oct 8, 1771	Joseph C. Bodwell,	June 30, 1852	57	158	215	13	6	1	7	3	3	0	6	3	3	150
Hopkinton,	Sept. 2, 1724	John C. Webster,	Dec. 19, 1838	53	120	173	15	8	4	12	1	4	0	5	4	8	175
Lincoln,	Aug. 20, 1747	Wm. C. Jackson,	April 6, 1848	30	64	94	22	7	0	7	1	1	0	2	1	2	100
Marlboro',	1666	Levi A. Field,	Aug. 31, 1853	44	118	162	14	9	7	16	2	1	0	3	3	5	225
Natick,	Feb. 1802	Elias Nason,	May 5, 1852	52	134	186	10	4	3	7	1	1	0	2	1	2	350
Needham, West,	Sept. 7, 1798	A. R. Baker,	Chosen 1856	33	66	99	21	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	3	106
Saxonville,	May 1, 1836	B. G. Northrup,	March 10, 1836	26	90	116	21	2	2	4	0	1	0	1	0	6	84
Sherborn,	March 26, 1685	Edmund Dowse,	Oct. 10, 1838	64	99	163	20	3	0	3	1	4	0	5	2	3	128
Southboro',	Feb. 17, 1831	David M. Elwood,	Aug. 17, 1853	57	115	172	23	3	2	5	7	3	0	10	0	0	243
Sudbury,	Aug. 1640	Erastus Dickinson,	May 14, 1856	51	120	171		10	0	10	1	2	0	3	4	5	215
Waltham,	Aug 9, 1853	Roswell Foster,	March 14, 1853	11	42	53	4	2	4	6	0	1	0	1	1	2	60
Wayland,	May 21, 1828	Henry Allen,	Sept. 30, 1852	50	103	153	23	24	1	25	3	3	0	6	11	3	130
Total, 14		14		578	1319	2009	217	115	31	146	23	27	0	50	51	42	2271

Without Pastoral Charge.—I. N. Tarbox, Sec. of Am. Ed. Soc., Boston; Joseph Haven, Professor in Amherst College; Harvey Newcomb, Brooklyn, N. Y.

17. MIDDLESEX UNION ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Acton,	March 13, 1832	Vacant.		82	121	203	59	1	0	1	5	2	0	7	0	0	100
Ashby,	June 12, 1776	Charles W. Wood,	Oct. 30, 1839	62	110	172	27	2	1	3	4	1	0	5	3	2	200
Assabet,	Sept. 23, 1852	Alpha Morton,	Stated supply.	9	17	26	1	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	100
Boxboro',	April 29, 1724	Leonard Luce,	Stated supply.	23	29	52	13	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	50
Fitchburg,	Jan. 27, 1768	G. B. Willcox,	June 15, 1853	111	223	334	38	12	11	23	6	21	0	27	0	7	375
Groton,	July 13, 1664	Edwin A. Bulkley,	Sept. 18, 1850	58	146	204	22	3	8	11	7	9	0	16	2	2	175
Harvard,	March 22, 1821	John Dodge,	May 10, 1854	44	92	136	21	0	9	9	0	4	5	9	0	2	140
Lancaster,	May 22, 1839	Franklin B. Doe,	Oct. 19, 1854	22	60	82	12	2	2	4	1	4	0	5	1	1	125
Leominster,	Dec. 25, 1822	Joel S. Bingham,	Dec 17, 1851	84	157	241	44	3	9	12	4	3	0	7	1	3	260
Littleton,	May 14, 1840	Elihu Loomis,	Stated supply.	12	25	37	4	4	1	5	1	0	0	1	3	1	52
Lunenburg,	June 10, 1835	William A. Mandell,	Jan. 2, 1856	35	72	107	18	5	1	6	1	1	0	2	0	0	120
Pepperell,	Jan. 29, 1747	—— Smith,	June 11, 1856	113	194	307	69	13	8	21	2	4	0	6	4	2	240
Shirley,	March 12, 1828	Bronson B. Beardsley,	Stated supply.	16	40	56	10	3	3	6	0	3	0	3	2	1	60
Townsend,	Oct. 16, 1734	Vacant,		72	165	237	33	0	0	0	8	1	0	9	0	2	180
Total, 14		12		743	1451	2194	371	51	54	105	40	53	5	98	16	24	2177

Without Pastoral Charge.—Daniel Butler, Sec. Mass. Bible Soc., Charles Hammond, Principal Lawrence Academy, James Means, Groton; Thomas Morong; Benjamin Dodge.

18. NORFOLK ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Int.	School.
Abington, 1st ch.	1712	James W. Ward,	May 21, 1834	52	82	134	9	5	6	11	2	0	0	2	3	2	75
" 2d cong. ch.	Aug. 19, 1807	Henry L. Edwards,	Stated supply.	67	108	175	20	0	3	3	1	3	0	4	0	4	140
" 3d ch.	1813	Horace D. Walker,	Feb. 15, 1844	32	85	117	9	7	0	7	4	1	0	5	1	4	200
" North,	Oct. 1839	Isaac C. White,	Oct. 23, 1850	36	65	101	4	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	150
Berkley, Trin. cong. c	Sept. 1848	L. Root Eastman,	Stated supply	13	17	30	0	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Braintree, 1st ch.	Sept. 10, 1807	R. S. Storrs, D. D.	July 3, 1811	45	124	169	5	4	0	4	1	1	0	2	3	1	70
" South,	Nov. 1829	Wm. B. Hammond,	April 18, 1849	23	46	69	4	0	1	1	0	9	0	9	0	0	150
Braintree and Weymouth, Union ch.	Aug. 14, 1811	Jonas Perkins,	June 14, 1815	60	109	169	25	3	0	3	3	2	0	5	0	2	200
Cohasset, 2d cong. ch.	Nov. 24, 1824	Frederick A. Reed,	March 9, 1848	14	80	94	10	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	129
Dorchester, 2d ch.	Jan. 1, 1808	James H. Means,	July 13, 1848	76	230	306	50	17	12	29	7	8	0	15	6	20	175
" Village ch.	March 11, 1829	Theodore F. Munger,	Feb. 6, 1856	41	106	147	31	1	2	3	3	3	0	6	0	0	70
E. & W. Bridgewater,	1826	Philo B. Wilcox,	May 14, 1851	51	64	115	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	140
Easton,	Unknown.	Lyman White,	Oct. 24, 1855	34	78	112	17	7	5	12	1	1	0	2	5	0	132
Hanson,	Aug. 31, 1749	Sam'l L. Rockwood,	March 11, 1840	12	50	62	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	95
Hingham,	Dec. 21, 1847	E. Porter Dyer,	Jan. 4, 1849	5	14	19	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	50
Milton, 1st ch.	April, 1678	Albert K. Teele,	Dec. 18, 1850	32	72	104	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
" 2d Ev. ch.	Nov. 9, 1843	Edwin Leonard,	March 25, 1852	8	27	35	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	110
North Bridgewater, 1st	Oct. 15, 1740	Paul Couch,	Oct. 7, 1835	46	81	127	3	2	6	8	4	6	0	10	1	1	283
" South cong. ch.	Jan. 3, 1837	D. Temple Packard,	Sept. 21, 1854	46	71	117	17	37	3	40	2	7	0	9	21	12	200
" Porter Ev. ch.	March 6, 1850	Charles L. Mills,	Aug. 11, 1852	64	117	181	8	4	5	9	2	5	0	7	4	1	225
Quincy,	Aug. 16, 1832	Nelson Clark,	Jan. 2, 1850	30	83	113	28	4	1	5	1	0	0	1	2	8	155
Randolph,	May, 1731	Christop. M. Cordley,	March 3, 1852	43	87	130	4	5	2	7	4	0	0	4	2	0	151
" East,	Dec. 15, 1815	Ezekiel Russell,	May 8, 1850	47	103	150		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	220
Scituate, North,	1639	Daniel Wight, Jr.	Sept. 28, 1842	26	52	78	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1	120
Sharon,	Jan. 25, 1741	L. R. Phillips,	July 29, 1841	24	79	103	3	0	0	0	3	0	1	4	0	2	120
Stoughton, 1st ch.	Aug. 10, 1744	Thomas Wilson,	March 13, 1856	28	55	83	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	140
Weymouth, North, 1st	July, 1635	Joshua Emery,	Jan. 25, 1830	50	88	138	2	0	5	5	2	1	1	4	0	0	100
" South, 2d	1723	James P. Terry,	July 6, 1848	21	67	88	3	2	2	4	1	1	0	2	0	2	152
" Union ch.	Nov. 1, 1842	Willard M. Harding,	Nov. 17, 1847	22	58	80	0	6	0	6	1	3	1	5	5	0	185
" North, Pilgrim c.	March 11, 1852	Calvin Terry,	May 18, 1852	19	50	69	2	2	0	2	1	2	0	3	2	2	96
Total, 30	30			1067	2348	3415	307	108	56	164	50	57	3	110	55	64	4164

Without Pastoral Charge.—Dennis Powers, South Abington; A. G. Duncan, Boston; Daniel Huntington, New London, Ct.; Willard Peirce, North Abington; Luther Sheldon, D. D., Easton.

19. OLD COLONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Dartmouth, South,	April, 1807	M. G. Wheeler,	Nov. 14, 1855	20	54	74	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	60
Edgartown,	1641	N. B. Blanchard,	Stated supply,	31	78	109	2	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0	120
Fairhaven,	1794	John Willard,	Jan. 25, 1855	68	130	198	31	5	5	10	5	2	1	8	2	0	261
Marion,	1703	Leander Cobb,	Dec. 1, 1841	16	38	54	2	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	1	0	70
Middleboro', Central,	March 25, 1847	Isaiah C. Thacher,	April 16, 1856	38	73	111	12	1	15	16	0	4	2	6	0	2	140
Nantucket,	1698	Joseph E. Swallow,	May 21, 1856	61	272	333	35	3	0	3	7	7	1	15	0	0	202
New Bedford, 1st ch.	1696	Daniel C. Burt,	July 1, 1835	17	44	61	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	70
" North,	Oct. 15, 1807	Henry W. Parker,	Aug. 8, 1856	88	197	285	35	4	0	4	2	0	0	2	2	12	200
" Trinit.	Nov. 1830	Wheelock Craig,	Dec. 4, 1850	44	113	157	13	5	4	9	3	6	0	9	5	4	130
" Pacific,	Oct. 8, 1844	Timothy Stowe,	April 11, 1854	27	58	85	11	6	6	12	1	0	0	1	3	5	240
Rochester, Centre,	1686	Eli W. Harrington,	June 19, 1850	17	73	90	21	6	0	6	1	4	0	5	1	2	90
" Mattapoisett,	July 28, 1736	Charles Livingston,	Stated supply	38	72	110	15	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	100
" North,	1758	Isaac Briggs,	Oct. 1836	10	18	28	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Wareham,	Jan. 5, 1740	Homer Barrows,	Oct. 27, 1852	33	86	119	25	17	2	19	1	1	0	2	6	7	100
Total, 14	13			508	1306	1814	240	49	33	82	25	27	4	56	20	35	1813

Without Pastoral Charge.—William Gould, Jacob Roberts, Fairhaven; Nathaniel Cobb, Evangelist, Kingston; J. A. Roberts, Middleboro'; Samuel Beane, Little Compton, R. I.; A. Eldridge; Samuel Nott, Jr.

20. PILGRIM ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Carver,	1733	Nathaniel Cogswell,	Stated supply.	30	58	88	10	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	70
Halifax,	Oct. 16, 1734	Timothy G. Brainerd,	June 27, 1855	15	30	45	2	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	1	70
Hanover, 1st ch.	Dec. 1728	Joseph Freeman,	April 18, 1855	14	40	54	9	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0	108
" Four Corners	April 12, 1854	Vacant,		21	25	46	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Kingston,	Nov. 19, 1828	Vacant,		24	61	85	9	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	75
Marshfield, South,	1632	Ebenezer Alden, Jr.	Oct. 30, 1850	22	38	60	4	2	0	2	2	1	0	3	0	4	120
" East,	July 4, 1835	Frederick A. Fisk,	Nov. 16, 1854	13	21	34	1	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Plymouth, South,	Nov. 8, 1738	Daniel H. Babcock,	June 16, 1853	60	85	145	20	29	1	30	3	0	0	3	13	0	100
" Centre,	Oct. 1, 1801	Joseph B. Johnson,	Jan. 4, 1855	51	126	177	13	49	5	54	3	1	0	4	32	3	220
" Chiltonville,	June 18, 1818	Edward P. Kimball,	Stated supply.	18	34	52	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	40
Plympton,	Oct. 27, 1698	Vacant,		24	68	92	8	0	5	5	0	8	0	8	0	0	70
Total, 11		9		292	586	878	79	84	13	97	12	15	0	27	45	8	1048

Without Pastoral Charge.—Timothy Davis, Kingston; Stillman Pratt, Middleboro'; Freeman P. Howland, Jonathan King, Abington.

21. SALEM ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Beverly, Dane-st.	Nov. 9,	1802 Joseph Abbott,	Oct. 23, 1834														
" 4th ch.	Sept. 1,	1834 Samuel Ordway,	Stated supply.	4	16	20		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Boxford, 1st ch.		1702 Wm. S. Coggin,	May 9, 1838	29	57	86	6	4	0	4	1	5	0	6	3	2	160
Danvers, 1st ch.	Nov. 16,	1689 M. P. Braman, D. D.	April 12, 1826	48	88	136	6	1	2	3	4	0	0	4	1	1	304
Lynn, 1st ch.	June,	1632 Parsons Cooke, D. D.	May 4, 1836	54	176	230	12	9	10	19	6	11	0	17	5	9	250
" Central ch.	Dec. 11,	1850 Jotham B. Sewall,	Feb. 7, 1855	22	44	66	8	2	4	6	1	0	0	1	1	1	115
Lynnfield, South,	Jan. 18,	1854 Ariel P. Chute,	Stated supply.	4	12	16	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	25
Marblehead,	Oct.	1684 Benjamin R. Allen,	Nov. 8, 1854	64	235	299	43	2	0	2	6	0	0	6	2	6	250
North Chelsea,	May 9,	1828 Charles Greenwood,	Stated supply.	6	11	17	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	80
Salem, Tabernacle ch.	April,	1735 S. M. Worcester, D.D	Aug. 6, 1829	81	319	400	15	0	2	2	7	7	0	14	0	16	400
Saugus, 1st ch.		1732 Levi Brigham,	May 7, 1851	9	19	28	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	115
Swampscott, 1st ch.	July 15,	1846 Jonas B. Clark,	Nov. 1845	13	48	61	3	8	4	12	0	2	0	2	4	4	205
Topsfield,		1663 Anson McLoud,	Dec. 8, 1841	55	116	171	14	3	2	5	0	1	1	2	1	5	175
Wenham,	Oct.	1644 Jeremiah Taylor,	Oct. 27, 1847	34	82	116	9	9	10	19	6	11	0	17	5	9	250
Total, 14		14		423	1223	1646	124	40	34	74	31	37	1	69	24	54	2369

Without Pastoral Charge.—Joseph Tracy, Sec. Mass. Col. Society; Allen W. Gannett, Boston.

22. SUFFOLK NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Boston, Old South ch.	May 12, 1669	G. W. Blagden, D. D.	Sept. 28, 1836	82	312	394		3	7	10	14	15	0	29	2	6	100
" Bowdoin-st.	July 18, 1825	J. B. Waterbury, D.D.	Sept. 3, 1846	132	320	452	200	27	10	37	5	19	0	24	7	5	300
" Central ch.	Dec. 1841	George Richards,	Oct. 8, 1845	135	285	420		14	12	26	3	30	0	33	9	0	400
Cambridge, 1st ch.	Feb. 1, 1636	John A. Albro, D. D.	April 15, 1835	87	216	303		4	5	9	7	3	0	10	2	3	200
" Port, 1st ch.	Sept. 20, 1827	Vacant,		108	218	326		5	12	17	5	9	0	14	1	5	260
" East,	Sept. 8, 1842	Joseph L. Bennett,	July 1, 1852	51	68	119	10	16	5	21	3	4	0	7	3	9	94
Charlestown, 1st ch.	Nov. 2, 1632	James B. Miles,	Jan. 2, 1853	70	199	269	34	14	16	30	7	17	0	24	6	3	375
" Winthrop ch.	Jan. 9, 1833	Benjamin Tappan, Jr.	Oct. 4, 1848	111	251	362	63	10	16	26	4	12	0	16	2	10	570
Chelsea, Winnisimmet	Sept. 20, 1841	Isaac P. Langworthy,	Nov. 10, 1841	94	191	285	51	12	19	31	2	15	2	19	8	6	475
" Broadway ch.	April 2, 1851	Joseph A. Copp,	Jan. 7, 1852	61	119	180	18	7	10	17	1	4	3	8	4	2	300
Malden, South,	March 16, 1848	Francis G. Pratt,	Oct. 18, 1849	15	40	55	6	0	0	0	*3	0	0	3	0	1	139
Needham, Grantville,	Feb. 24, 1847	Vacant,		23	30	53		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Newton, 1st ch.	July 20, 1664	Daniel L. Furber,	Dec. 1, 1847	44	92	136	21	16	9	25	2	0	0	2	11	4	102
" Auburndale,	Nov. 14, 1850	Vacant,		19	23	42	9	0	5	5	2	4	0	6	0	4	70
Reading, Old South,	Feb. 21, 1771	Wm. Barrows,	March 20, 1856	39	65	104	10	2	3	5	3	7	0	10	1	5	140
Somerville,	May 3, 1853	Benjamin Judkins,	Jan. 2, 1856	17	22	39	0	2	39	41	2	0	0	2	0	0	200
Waltham, Tr cong. ch.	Sept. 28, 1820	John Whitney,	Nov. 8, 1837	21	74	95	40	1	0	1	0	10	0	10	1	2	75
Total, 17		14		1109	2525	3634	462	133	168	301	63	149	5	217	57	65	3875

Without Pastoral Charge.—E. A. Park, D. D., Andover; R. Anderson, D. D., G. C. Beckwith, D. D., S. Bliss, A. Bullard, D. Clark, W. M. Cornell, W. Jenks, D. D., S. L. Pomroy, D. D., Boston; H. Winslow, New York; W. Bushnell, Newton; J. Curtis, Charlestown.

23. SUFFOLK SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Boston, Park-st.	Feb. 27, 1809	Andrew L. Stone,	Jan. 25, 1849	215	490	705	120	24	23	47	3	12	1	16	4	6	320
" Essex-st.	Aug. 26, 1822	Neh. Adams, D. D.	March 26, 1834	139	343	482	10	11	8	19	3	14	0	17	2	5	174
" Salem-st.	Sept. 2, 1827	Vacant,		164	330	494		17	9	26	5	14	0	19	5		333
" Pine-st.	Sept. 2, 1827	Henry M. Dexter,	April 18, 1849	70	198	268	60	13	24	37	3	11	0	14	6	3	300
" Mariners' ch.	Jan. 20, 1830	Elijah Kellogg,															
" Mt. Vernon c.	June 1, 1842	Edward N. Kirk, D. D.	June 1, 1842	239	454	693	75	43	34	77	4	26	0	30	10	19	356
" Shawmut ch	Nov. 20, 1845	Charles Smith,	Dec 8, 1853	52	99	151	42	21	13	34	6	8	3	17	5	14	345
" South, Phillips c.	Dec. 10, 1823	Charles S. Porter	Feb. 22, 1854	78	164	242	50	14	19	33	5	17	*14	36	2	15	310
" East, Maverick c.	May 31, 1836	Rufus W. Clark,	Dec. 3, 1851	105	239	344	22	56	21	77	4	12	0	16	20	20	510
Brighton, Evang. ch.	Sept. 13, 1827	Vacant,		37	80	117	40	10	1	11	3	5	0	8	4	3	115
Brookline, Harvard ch.	Aug. 26, 1844	Matson M. Smith,	June 5, 1851	40	75	115	9	10	11	21	1	7	0	8	2	11	100
Canton,	July 3, 1828	Solomon Clark,	Nov. 12, 1851	11	26	37	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Dedham, South,	June, 1736	Moses M. Colburn,	Oct. 28, 1852	24	56	80	12	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	1	0	142
Newton, West ch.	Oct. 21, 1781	Joseph P. Drummond,	Jan. 2, 1856	43	64	107	10	0	2	2	2	9	0	11	0	0	85
" Eliot ch.	July 1, 1845	Joshua W. Wellman,	June 11, 1856	35	74	109	20	3	12	15	4	12	0	16	1	7	240
Roxbury, Eliot ch.	Sept. 18, 1834	Aug. C. Thompson,	July 27, 1842	95	197	292	67	8	3	11	4	7	0	11	3	3	250
Watertown, Phillips c.	April 17, 1855	Stephen R. Dennen,	July 11, 1855	7	30	37	2	8	3	11	0	0	0	0	3	2	50
West Roxbury,— South Evang. ch	June 11, 1835	Thomas Laurie,	May 7, 1851	32	65	97	10	8	14	22	1	0	0	1	4	4	100
" Jamaica Plain,— Mather ch.	Feb. 13, 1853	Alonzo H. Quint,	Dec. 27, 1853	26	35	61	5	3	24	27	0	1	0	1	2	7	87
Total, 19		17		1412	3019	4431	562	250	221	471	50	155	18	223	74	119	3892

Without Pastoral Charge.—Selah B. Treat, Sec. A. B. C. F. M.; J. S. Clark, D. D., Sec. Mass. Home Miss. Soc.; S. H. Riddell, Editor, J. E. Woodbridge, Editor, and Lyman Beecher, D. D., Boston; C. Marsh, Jamaica Plain; Austin Phelps, Prof. Theol. Sem., Andover; G. H. Hastings, Missionary, Rome, Italy; D. W. Alvord.

* Of these, 13 were "dropped."

24. TAUNTON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Attleboro', 1st ch. W'st	Nov. 12, 1737	S. B. Morley,	July 9, 1851	26	54	80	8	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
" 2d ch.	Nov. 30, 1748	Charles D. Lothrop,	Dec 14, 1854	50	149	199	36	6	6	12	5	6	1	12	2	2	296
Berkley, 1st cong. ch.	Nov. 3, 1737	John D. Smith,	Stated supply	43	80	123	26	1	0	1	3	0	0	3	0	2	120
Fall River, Central ch.	Nov. 16, 1842	Eli Thurston,	March 21, 1849	71	110	181	15	9	3	12	0	1	1	2	4	1	224
Freetown,	1808	John E. Corey,	Stated supply	8	16	24	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Norton,	April 3, 1832	Franklin Holmes,	Sept. 15, 1852	49	90	139	24	13	5	18	4	4	0	8	10	1	90
Pawtucket,	April 17, 1829	Constantine Blodgett,	July 27, 1836	58	176	234	60	1	5	6	3	5	0	8	1	10	280
Raynham, 1st ch.	Oct. 19, 1731	Robert Carver,	Dec. 1, 1847	38	105	143	23	20	1	21	6	1	0	7	16	0	180
Rehoboth,	Nov. 29, 1721	Charles P. Grosvenor,	Stated supply	18	70	88	11	6	1	7	4	1	0	5	4	1	141
Seekonk,	1644	James O. Barney,	Stated supply	17	54	71	9	2	0	2	3	0	0	3	1	0	90
Taunton, 1st ch.	1637	Alvan Cobb,	April 19, 1815	30	70	100	21	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	100
" East,	June 16, 1853	James R. Cushing,	May 1, 1854	6	10	16	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	70
" Trin. cong. ch.	Aug. 17, 1821	Erastus Maltby,	Jan. 18, 1826	101	270	371	57	8	9	17	4	9	0	13	6	6	320
" Winslow ch.	Jan. 12, 1837	Mortimer Blake,	Dec. 4, 1855	63	123	186	34	10	6	16	2	5	2	9	3	4	150
Total, 14	14			578	1377	1955	326	76	38	114	35	32	4	71	47	29	2146

Without Pastoral Charge.—Samuel Woodbury. Thomas E. Bliss is Stated supply at Blackstone.

25. VINEYARD SOUND ASSOCIATION.

Churches	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Clh. Mem Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Barnstable, West,		1616 Hiram Carlton,	March 20, 1853	35	47	82	3	16	3	19	0	0	0	0	5	7	75
" Centreville,	May 23,	1840 Elisha Bacon,	May 23, 1840	28	58	86	10	1	2	3	1	1	0	2	0	1	75
Chilmark,		T. W. Duncan,	Stated supply.	2	17	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Falmouth, 1st ch.		1718 Henry B. Hooker,	Feb. 22, 1837	61	158	219	6	1	0	1	5	2	0	7	0	9	150
" East,	June 20,	1821 George Ford,	Stated supply.	20	30	50	3	1	0	1	3	0	1	4	0	4	30
" North,		1833 Cyrus Mann,	Stated supply	41	59	100	11	0	2	2	2	0	0	2	0	1	45
" 2d ch	Jan. 3,	1849 Anson Hubbard,	Stated supply.	14	39	53	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	67
Cotnit & Herring Pond		1670 Asahel Cobb,	Stated supply.	5	21	26	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	28
Sandwich,		1639 P. C. Headley,	Stated supply.	45	96	141	12	40	5	45	5	3	0	8	12	14	100
" Monument,	July 9,	1833 Ezekiel Dow,	Stated supply.	11	23	34	2	2	0	2	3	1	0	4	0	1	30
Tisbury, West,		1673 Samuel Cole,	Stated supply.	13	31	44	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	72
" Spring St.		1844 Wm. H. Sturtevant,	1853	6	20	26	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	53
Total, 12		12		281	599	780	54	65	12	77	21	8	1	30	18	40	755

Without Pastoral Charge.—None.

26. WOBURN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Bedford,	July 15, 1730	Henry J. Patrick,	Nov. 16, 1854	46	124	170	18	18	5	23	5	2	0	7	9	3	150
Billerica,	April 30, 1829	Jesse G D. Stearns,	May 10, 1843	17	46	63	21	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	80
Burlington,	Oct. 29, 1735	Vacant,		18	32	50	12	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	40
Carlisle,	Feb. 28, 1781	John Lawrence,	May 5, 1853	13	47	60	6	2	3	5	1	3	0	4	2	3	70
Malden,	March 1649	Aaron C. Adams,	July 29, 1852	47	103	150	27	37	11	48	0	2	0	2	20	3	160
Medford, 2d ch.	Oct. 2, 1823	Elihu P Marvin,	Feb. 25, 1852	40	119	159	14	6	4	10	3	9	3	15	2	3	150
" Mystic ch.	May 9, 1847	Jacob M. Manning,	Jan 5, 1854	27	93	120	20	3	3	6	0	4	0	4	1	2	200
Melrose,	July 11, 1848	Alexander J Sessions,	Jan. 12, 1854	17	26	43	6	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	6	65
North Reading,	June 29, 1720	Thomas N. Jones,	Oct. 19, 1853	17	34	51	5	0	1	1	3	0	0	3	0	0	100
Reading, Bethesda ch.	April 17, 1849	Vacant,		65	99	164	18	1	4	5	1	0	0	1	0	10	235
South Reading,	Nov. 5, 1645	Reuben Emerson,*	Oct. 17, 1804	54	91	145	10	0	3	3	2	0	0	2	0	4	125
Stoneham,	July 2, 1729	Vacant.		36	82	118	22	0	1	1	3	3	1	7	0	0	134
West Cambridge,	Dec. 14, 1842	Daniel R. Cady,	Feb. 14, 1856	28	57	85	18	0	0	0	3	5	0	8	0	3	100
Wilmington,	Oct. 24, 1733	Samuel H. Tolman,		27	72	99	12	0	1	1	5	0	0	5	0	2	100
Winchester,	Nov. 19, 1840	Reuben T. Robinson,	Oct. 27, 1852	74	142	216	17	13	9	22	0	2	0	2	8	5	340
Woburn, 1st ch.	1642	Vacant,		157	283	440	50	18	13	31	10	13	1	24	6	10	330
" North,	Nov. 22, 1849	Vacant,		11	35	46	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	
Total, 17		12		694	1485	2179	279	98	64	162	39	46	5	90	48	55	2379

Without Pastoral Charge—E. W. Clark, Auburndale; D. Cloyes, South Reading; George T. Dole, North Woburn; George Gannett, West Cambridge; H. G. Park, Samuel Sewall, Burlington; H. R. W. Perkins, Medford; Joseph D. Hull, Somerville.

* A member of Essex South Association.

27. WORCESTER CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad	Inf.	School.
Auburn,	Jan. 25, 1776	L. Ives Hoadley,	May 12, 1854	41	76	117	24	1	1	2	2	4	0	6	1	2	80
Barre,	Aug. 15, 1827	Christop. M. Nickels,	May 7, 1851	60	146	206	44	6	2	8	3	7	0	10	2	6	155
Berlin,	Sept. 26, 1781	Wm. A. Houghton,	Oct. 26, 1853	37	84	121	17	6	6	12	1	2	0	3	4	1	120
Boylston,	Oct 6, 1743	Wm. H. Sanford,	Oct. 17, 1832	44	83	127	34	0	2	2	2	2	0	4	0	1	150
Clinton,	Nov. 14, 1844	W. W. Winchester,	March 23, 1851	50	115	165	25	5	16	21	3	9	0	12	2	1	200
Holden,	Dec. 22, 1742	Wm. P. Paine,	Oct. 24, 1833	103	227	330	48	3	3	6	4	3	0	7	1	2	250
Leicester,	March, 1721	John Nelson, D. D.	March 4, 1812	70	138	208	11	7	0	7	6	8	0	14	3	5	197
Northboro',	April 12, 1832	S. S. Ashley,	June 16, 1852	26	72	98	25	1	0	1	3	3	0	6	0	2	125
Oxford,	Jan. 18, 1721	Horatio Bardwell,	June 16, 1836	62	138	200	36	2	0	2	1	4	1	6	1	0	150
Paxton,	Sept. 3, 1767	Wm. Phipps,	Nov. 11, 1840	31	76	107	5	1	1	2	1	1	0	2	1	1	170
Princeton,	Oct. 12, 1764	Wm. T. Briggs,	Feb. 13, 1856	46	91	137	15	8	3	11	1	3	0	4	5	1	100
Rutland,	Oct. 9, 1727	David Burt,	Jan. 10, 1856	65	129	194	41	0	0	0	10	3	0	13	0	0	125
Shrewsbury,	Dec. 4, 1723	N. W. Williams,	Feb. 28, 1849	85	157	242	29	5	3	8	6	5	0	11	1	1	230
Sterling,	Jan. 8, 1852	Wm. Miller,	May 9, 1855	15	33	48	9	8	5	13	1	1	0	2	4	3	90
Webster,	June 13, 1838	S. C. Kendall,	March 29, 1854	41	90	131	37	3	4	7	1	2	0	3	2	1	140
Westboro',	Oct. 24, 1724	L. H. Sheldon,	March 20, 1856	119	249	368	45	9	4	13	4	15	0	19	4	13	370
West Boylston,	Sept. 15, 1796	Joseph W. Cross,	March 11, 1840	84	186	270	20	3	5	8	6	6	0	12	0	1	250
Worcester, 1st par.	1716	Horace James,	Feb. 3, 1853	143	283	426	53	20	26	46	10	5	0	15	7	13	400
" Calvinist,	Aug. 16, 1820	Seth Sweetser, D. D	Dec. 19, 1838	100	231	331	35	20	13	33	9	24	0	33	5	5	220
" Union,	Feb. 3, 1836	Ebenezer Cutler,	Sept 6, 1855			447		16	20	36	0	13	1	14			300
" Salem-st.	June 15, 1848	George Bushnell,	Dec. 13, 1848	79	141	220	23	27	15	42	2	6	0	8	17	6	325
Total, 21		21		1301	2745	4493	576	151	129	280	76	126	2	204	60	65	4147

Without Pastoral Charge.—Rodney A. Miller, Worcester; Isaac R. Worcester, Dist. Sec. A. B. C. F. M., Auburndale; Miner G. Pratt, Agent Am. Col. Soc., Andover; George L. Hovey, Agent Am. and For. Ch. Union, Greenfield; Preston Cummings, Leicester; William T. Sleeper, City Missionary, Worcester.

28. WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admitted 1855.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Ashburnham,	April, 1760	E. G. Little,	Aug. 22, 1855	77	119	196	39	4	6	10	3	4	0	7	4	2	150
" North,	Feb. 21, 1843	Vacant,		23	26	49	11	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	0	120
Athol,	Sept. 1750	John F. Norton,	March 17, 1852	52	131	183	9	10	9	19	0	1	0	1	6	0	175
Gardner, 1st ch.	Sept. 7, 1786	John C. Paine,	Jan. 12, 1848	28	47	75	3	2	7	9	1	2	0	3	2	9	120
" Evan. ch.	1826	Abijah Stowell,	Stated supply	52	83	135	29	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	200
Hubbardston,	Feb. 14, 1776	Cyrus W. Allen,	Dec. 23, 1852	44	109	153	30	2	5	7	1	4	0	5	1	2	130
New Salem,	Aug. 15, 1845	Vacant,		7	24	31		1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	30
Petersham,	June 25, 1823	Vacant,		32	77	109	9	2	3	5	3	4	0	7	2	1	120
Phillipston,	Nov. 16, 1785	Samuel W. Barnum,	Jan. 1, 1856	61	132	193	51	0	2	2	3	7	0	10	0	6	160
Royalston, 1st ch.	Oct. 13, 1766	Ebenezer W. Bullard,	Sept. 2, 1852	47	89	136	10	0	1	1	1	2	0	3	0	0	140
" South,	Feb. 22, 1837	Vacant,		37	83	120	12	51	7	58	1	4	0	5	5	35	120
Templeton,	April 11, 1832	Lewis Sabin,	Sept. 21, 1837	35	89	124	12	2	6	8	3	10	0	13	0	2	165
Westminster,	Oct. 20, 1744	Marcus Ames,	May 1, 1856	82	191	273	25	0	1	1	3	9	0	12	0	0	200
Winchendon, 1st ch.	Dec. 15, 1762	Benjamin F. Clarke,	Oct. 24, 1855	24	38	62	21	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	0	60
" North,	Dec. 7, 1843	Abijah P. Marvin,	Jan 10, 1844	41	98	139	20	4	5	9	4	4	0	8	1	1	1 60
Total, 15		11		642	1336	1978	281	78	52	130	28	45	0	73	22	59	2050

Without Pastoral Charge.—Josiah D. Crosby, Ashburnham.

SUMMARY.

Associations.	Chs.	Pastors.	Stated supplies.	Vacant chhs.	Ministers without charge.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1856.				Admissions in 1855.			Removals in 1855.				Baptisms.		Sab. Sch.
						Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Total.	Death.	Dis.	Exc.	Total.	Adults	Infants	
Andover,	21	14	2	4	8	1041	3060	4361	1478	70	80	150	33	112	1	146	33	51	3133
Berkshire North,	17	12	3	3	10	624	1105	1729	321	133	45	178	24	71	5	100	52	21	1274
Berkshire South,	18	13	4	1	3	762	1633	2395	547	114	47	161	41	71	3	115	52	51	1817
Brewster,	15	9	2	4	4	380	900	1280	96	46	34	80	23	48	3	74	23	39	1699
Bridgewater,	7	5	2	0	3	200	403	603	76	4	5	9	8	7	0	15	5	9	595
Brookfield,	18	17	2	1	2	849	1919	2768	433	80	82	162	51	79	5	135	39	34	2921
Essex North,	22	21	2	2	6	922	2103	3025	268	92	47	139	56	33	3	92	56	36	2945
Essex South,	18	16	0	3	0	778	2011	2789	290	50	56	106	58	62	6	126	11	62	3170
Franklin,	28	15	8	5	6	855	1698	2553	284	110	74	184	49	97	5	151	65	39	3051
Hampden East,	18	14	3	3	6	829	1805	2634	386	99	149	248	40	117	8	165	35	57	2101
Hampden West,	17	10	4	3	0	503	1047	1610	211	53	45	98	31	78	1	110	19	24	1622
Hampshire,	20	12	0	8	2	1103	2008	3379	334	78	71	149	65	100	4	169	39	64	2624
Hampshire East,	16	14	0	2	9	956	1808	2764	419	98	58	156	49	63	1	113	23	67	2050
Harmony,	13	9	1	3	4	589	1188	1777	338	28	33	61	32	34	3	69	13	28	2180
Mendon,	15	11	2	2	13	546	1384	1930	175	91	59	150	29	52	5	86	40	38	2123
Middlesex South,	14	12	2	0	3	578	1319	2009	217	115	31	146	23	27	0	50	51	42	2271
Middlesex Union,	14	8	4	2	5	743	1451	2194	371	51	54	105	40	53	5	98	16	24	2177
Norfolk,	30	28	2	0	5	1067	2348	3415	307	108	56	164	50	57	3	110	55	64	4164
Old Colony,	14	11	2	1	7	508	1306	1814	240	49	33	82	25	27	4	56	20	35	1813
Pilgrim,	11	6	2	3	4	292	586	878	79	84	13	97	12	15	0	27	45	8	1048
Salem,	14	11	3	0	2	423	1223	1646	124	40	34	74	31	37	1	69	24	54	2369
Suffolk North,	17	14	0	3	12	1109	2525	3634	462	133	168	301	63	149	5	217	57	65	3875
Suffolk South,	19	17	0	2	9	1412	3019	4431	562	250	221	471	50	155	18	223	74	119	3892
Taunton,	14	10	4	0	1	578	1377	1955	326	76	38	114	35	32	4	71	47	29	2146
Vineyard Sound,	12	4	8	0	0	281	599	780	54	65	12	77	21	8	1	30	18	40	755
Woburn,	17	12	0	5	8	694	1485	2179	279	98	64	162	39	46	5	90	48	55	2379
Worcester Central,	21	21	0	0	6	1301	2745	4493	576	151	129	280	76	126	2	204	60	65	4147
Worcester North,	15	10	1	4	1	642	1336	1978	281	78	52	130	28	45	0	73	22	59	2050
Total, 28	475	356	63	64	139	20,565	45,391	67,003	9,534	2,444	1,790	4,234	1,082	1,801	101	2,984	1,032	1,279	66,391

REMARKS.

In the preceding statistical tables 475 churches are enumerated; of these, 9 present no returns, viz. 1st in Lawrence, 1st in Pittsfield, Salisbury Hill, Pelham, Prescott, Millville in Blackstone, Grass Hill in Milbury, Dane St. in Beverly, and Mariners' in Boston; this number is the smallest left delinquent in any year except 1855, which furnished the same; in *fulness*, this years' greatly exceeds any preceding.

Twelve additional churches are enumerated, viz. Andover Free, Ballardvale, Manchester, Mendon, Assabet, Edgartown, Somerville, Harwich Port (organized April 3, 1855,) Watertown (org. April 17, 1855,) Ashfield 2d (org. June 13, 1855,) Franklin South (org. Sept. 13, 1855,) and Westfield 2d (org. May 22, 1856) It will be seen that the last *three* were organized in the year preceding the last session of the General Association; most of the others were omitted from previous Minutes only by neglect. Two churches have been dropped, viz. North Haverhill, and North Orange; the former, because it is in New Hampshire; the latter for reasons unknown to the Committee.

During the year from June 1855 to June 1856, 60 pastors have been dismissed; 44 pastors have been settled; and 4 have died; 3 pastors are added to the list by churches newly reported, and 1 is omitted in dropping his church.

The comparison between this and last year's members, *comparing the 449 churches which reported in both years*, is this:

In 1855, 65,989 members; in 1856, 65,404.

This shows a *loss* of 585, whereas the excess of additions over removals gives a *gain* of 1,250; this discrepancy is mainly attributed to revisions of church lists; as in Amherst College church, where 457 names were dropped.

The *actual membership* of the churches connected with the General Association, after supplying the defective returns of this year from preceding statistics, is as follows:

475 churches: 68,391 members.

For the present issue no responsibility belongs to any one, except the care of printing to the Publishing Committee; they have however made vigorous efforts to perfect the (generally) defective papers placed in their hands. But they have inserted nothing without authority; and if names are omitted, the fault lies in other quarters.

It will be seen by the Minutes, that a new method of collection was adopted at the last session, under which Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, of Jamaica Plain, was appointed Statistical Secretary for three years following the 1st of September. In accordance with their action, also, each Association is hereby requested to appoint a Statistical Scribe; each Scribe, and any one who discovers errors in names or dates, is requested to communicate with the Statistical Secretary.

SCRIBES OF THE SEVERAL ASSOCIATIONS.

General Association,	Emerson Davis, D. D., *Westfield.*
Andover Association,	Amos Blanchard, D. D , *Lowell.*
Berkshire North,	J. Jay Dana, *South Adams.*
Berkshire South,	Alfred H. Dashiell, Jr., *Stockbridge.*
Brewster,	Abel K. Packard, *Yarmouth.*
Bridgewater,	Calvin Chapman, *Lakeville.*
Brookfield,	John Haven, *Charlton.*
Essex North,	David T. Kimball, *Ipswich.*
Essex South,	Ephraim W. Allen, *Salem.*
Franklin,	David A. Strong, *South Deerfield.*
Hampden East,	Eli B. Clark, *Chickopee.*
Hampden West,	Emerson Davis, D. D., *Westfield.*
Hampshire,	
Hampshire East,	George E. Fisher, *North Amherst.*
Harmony,	George Lyman, *Sutton.*
Mendon,	William L. Ropes, *Wrentham.*
Middlesex South,	Levi A. Field, *Marlboro'.*
Middlesex Union,	Edwin A. Bulkley, *Groton.*
Norfolk,	D. Temple Packard, *North Bridgewater.*
Old Colony,	Timothy Stowe, *New Bedford.*
Pilgrim,	Ebenezer Alden, Jr., *Marshfield.*
Salem,	Jonas B. Clark, *Swampscott.*
Suffolk North,	William Barrows, *Reading.*
Suffolk South,	Thomas Laurie, *West Roxbury.*
Taunton,	Franklin Holmes, *Norton.*
Vineyard Sound,	Asahel Cobb, *Sandwich.*
Woburn,	Reuben T. Robinson, *Winchester.*
Worcester Central,	N. W. Williams, *Shrewsbury.*
Worcester North,	John C. Paine, *Gardner.*

NAMES OF CLERGYMEN,

Arranged in alphabetical order, with the Post-Office address of each, and with the number of the Association in which each name occurs in the statistics.

Abbot Jacob J., Uxbridge. 14
Abbot Joseph, Beverly. 21
Adams Aaron C., Malden. 26
Adams Darwin, Dunstable. 1
Adams George M., Conway. 9
Adams Nehemiah, D. D., Boston. 23
Albro John A., D. D., Cambridge. 22
Alden Ebenezer, Jr., Marshfield. 20
Alden Edmund K., Lenox. 3
Allen Benj. R., Marblehead. 21
Allen Cyrus W., Hubbardston. 28
Allen Ephraim W., Salem. 8
Allen Henry, Wayland. 16
Allen William, Dracut. 1
Alvord John W., Groton. 23
Ames Marcus, Westminster. 28
Anderson Rufus, D. D., Boston. 22
Angier Luther H., Concord. 16
Ashley S. S , Northboro'. 27
Austin Franklin D., Tolland. 11
Ayres Rowland, Hadley. 13

Babcock Daniel H., South Plymouth. 20
Bacon Elisha, Centerville. 25
Bacon James M., Salisbury. 7
Badger Milton, D. D., New York. 1
Baker A. R., West Needham. 16.
Baldwin Joseph B., West Cummington. 12
Bannister S. W., Ware. 6
Bardwell Horatio, Oxford. 27
Barney James O., Seekonk. 24
Barnum Samuel W., Phillipston. 28
Barrows Elijah P., Andover. 1
Barrows Homer, Wareham. 19
Barrows William, Reading. 22
Barton F. A., Indian Orchard. 10
Bates James, Granby. 13.
Bates William, Northbridge. 14
Beach Nathaniel, Millbury. 14
Beaman Warren H., North Hadley. 13
Beane Samuel, Little Compton, R. I. 19
Beardsley Bronson B., Shirley. 17
Beckwith George C., D. D., Boston. 22
Beecher Lyman, D. D., Boston. 23
Bennett Joseph L., East Cambridge. 22
Bigelow Andrew, Medfield. 15
Billings Richard S., Shelburne. 9
Bingham J. S., Leominster. 17
Bisbee John H , Worthington. 12
Biscoe Thomas C , Grafton. 14
Blagden George W., D. D., Boston. 22
Blake Henry B., Belchertown. 13
Blake Mortimer, Taunton. 24
Blanchard Amos, D. D., Lowell. 1
Blanchard N. B., Edgartown. 19
Blanchard W. S. 10
Bliss Isaac G., Southbridge. 6
Bliss Seth, Boston. 22
Bliss Thomas E., Blackstone. 14, 24
Blodgett Constantine, Pawtucket. 24
Blodgett Edward P., Greenwich. 13
Bodwell Joseph C., Framingham. 16
Bowers John, Wilbraham. 10
Bradford James, Sheffield. 3
Bragg Jesse K., Brookfield. 6
Brainard Timothy G., Halifax. 20
Braman Isaac, Georgetown. 7
Braman Milton P , D. D., Danvers. 21
Bremner David, Rockport. 8
Bridge Henry M., Warwick. 9
Briggs Isaac, North Rochester. 19
Briggs William T., Princeton. 27
Brigham David, Bridgewater. 5
Brigham John C., D. D., New York. 3
Brigham Levi, Saugus. 21
Brigham Willard, Ashfield 9
Brooks Edward F., Gill. 9
Brown J. R., Longmeadow. 10
Buckingham Samuel G., Springfield. 10
Bullard Asa, Boston. 22

Bullard Ebenezer W., Royalston. 28
Bulkley Edwin A., Groton. 17
Burdett M., Philadelphia, Pa. 14
Burt Daniel C., North Fairhaven. 19
Burt David, Rutland. 27
Bushnell George, Worcester. 27
Bushnell William, Newton. 22
Butler Daniel, Groton. 17
Byington Swift, West Brookfield. 6

Cady Daniel R., West Cambridge. 26
Campbell Randolph, Newburyport. 7
Carlton Hiram, West Barnstable. 25
Carpenter Eber, Southbridge. 6
Carver Robert, Raynham. 24
Chandler Azariah, D. D., Greenfield. 9
Chapman Calvin, Lakeville. 5
Chace Ebenezer, Eastham. 4
Chute Ariel P., Lynnfield. 21
Clapp Erastus, Easthampton. 12
Clark Benjamin F., Winchendon. 28
Clark Benjamin F., North Chelmsford. 1
Clark Dorus, Boston. 22
Clark Eber L., Washington. 2
Clark Edward, Ashfield. 9
Clark Edward W., Auburndale. 26
Clark Eli B., Chicopee. 10
Clark James A., Southwick. 11
Clark Jonas B., Swampscott. 21
Clark Joseph S., D. D., Boston. 23
Clark Lewis F., Whitinsville. 14
Clark Nelson, Quincy. 18
Clark Perkins K, South Deerfield. 9
Clark Rufus W., East Boston. 23
Clark Sereno D., Sunderland. 9
Clark Solomon, Canton. 23
Clark Theodore J., Cummington. 12
Cleaveland James B., South Egremont. 3
Cleaveland John P., D. D., Lowell. 1
Cloyes D., South Reading. 26
Cobb Alvan, Taunton. 24
Cobb Asahel, Sandwich. 25
Cobb Leander, Marion. 19
Cobb Nathaniel, Kingston. 19
Coggin William S., Boxford. 21
Cogswell Nathaniel, Yarmouth. 4, 20
Colburn Moses M., South Dedham. 23
Cole Samuel, West Tisbury. 25
Colton Aaron M, East Hampton. 12
Colton T. G., Monson. 10
Cooke Elisha W., Haydenville. 12
Cook Russell S., New York. 2
Cooke Parsons, D. D., Lynn. 21
Cooley Timothy M., D. D., Granville. 11
Copp Joseph A., Chelsea. 22
Cordley Christopher M., Randolph. 18
Corey John E., Freetown. 24
Cornell William M., Boston. 22
Couch Paul, North Bridgewater. 18
Cowles John P., Ipswich 7
Craig Wheelock, New Bedford. 19
Crosby Josiah D., Ashburnham. 28
Cross Joseph W., West Boylston. 27
Cummings Preston, Leicester. 27
Curtis J., Charlestown. 22
Curtis Joseph W., Hadley. 13
Cushing Christopher, North Brookfield. 6
Cushing James R., East Taunton. 24
Cushman Job, North Truro. 4
Cutler Ebenezer, Worcester. 27

Dana J. Jay, Adams. 2
Dashiell Alfred H., Jr., Stockbridge. 3
Davis Emerson, D. D., Westfield. 11
Davis Timothy, Kingston. 20
Demond Elijah, Mendon. 15
Denham George, Wellfleet. 4
Dennen Stephen R., Watertown. 23
Dexter Henry M., Boston. 23
Dickinson Erastus, Sudbury. 16
Dickinson Noadiah S., Chatham. 4
Dimmick Luther F., D. D., Newburyport. 7
Dixon William E., Ellington, Ct. 10
Dodd S. G., Spencer. 6
Dodge Benjamin, Acton. 17
Dodge John, Harvard. 17
Doe F. B., Lancaster. 17
Doe Walter P., West Stockbridge. 3
Dole George T., North Woburn. 26
Dow E., Monument. 25
Dowse Edmund, Sherburne. 16
Drummond Joseph P., West Newton. 23
Duncan A. G., Boston. 18
Duncan T. W., Chilmark. 25
Durfee Calvin, Williamstown. 2
Dwight Edward S., Amherst. 13
Dwight John, North Wrentham. 15
Dwinell Israel E., Salem. 8
Dyer E. Porter, Hingham. 18

Eastman David, Leverett. 13
Eastman L. Root, Berkley. 18
Eddy Chauncy, Lanesboro'. 2
Edgell John Q. A., Andover. 7
Edson S. W., West Granville. 11
Edwards Henry L., Abington. 18
Eldridge Azariah. 19
Elwood David M., Southboro'. 16
Ely Alfred, D. D., Monson. 10
Emerson Brown, D. D., Salem. 8
Emerson Edward B., Heath. 9
Emerson Reuben, South Reading. 8, 26
Emery Joshua, North Weymouth. 18

Farwell Asa, Haverhill. 7
Ferguson John, Whately. 9
Field David, D. D., Stockbridge. 3

Field Levi A., Marlboro'. 16
Fisher Caleb E., Andover. 1
Fisher George E., North Amherst. 13
Fisk Frederick A., East Marshfield. 20
Fiske Daniel T., Newburyport. 7
Fitz Daniel, Ipswich. 8
Flagg Horatio, Coleraine. 9
Fletcher James, North Danvers. 8
Folsom G. D. F., Springfield. 10
Ford George, East Falmouth. 25
Foster Aaron, East Charlemont. 9
Foster Andrew B., Gill. 9
Foster Davis, West Newbury. 7
Foster Eden B., Lowell. 1
Foster Roswell, Waltham. 16
Foster William C., Lawrence. 1
Freeman Joseph, Hanover. 20
Frost Daniel C., Northfield. 9
Furber Daniel L., Newton Centre. 22

Gale Nahum, Lee. 3
Gale Wakefield, Rockport. 8
Galpin Charles. 13
Gannet Allen W., Boston. 21.
Gannett George, West Cambridge. 26
Garrette Edmund Y., Foxboro'. 15
Gay Ebenezer, Bridgewater. 5
Gibson Hugh, Chester. 11
Gilbert William H., Granby, Ct. 9
Giddings Edward, Housatonic. 3
Goodsell Dana. 13
Gould William, Fairhaven. 19
Greeley Stephen S. N., Great Barrington. 3
Greene Henry S., Ballard Vale. 1
Greenwood Charles, North Chelsea. 21
Griffin N. H., Williamstown. 2
Grosvenor Charles P., Rehoboth. 24
Gurney John H.. New Braintree. 6

Hall Gordon, Northampton. 12
Hall Thomas A., Otis. 3
Hammond Charles, Groton. 17
Hammond William B., South Braintree. 18
Hanks Steadman W., Lowell. 1
Harding John W., Longmeadow. 10
Harding Sewall, Boston. 15
Harding Willard M., South Weymouth. 18
Harrington Eli W., Rochester. 19
Harrington Moody, Middlefield. 12
Harrison Samuel, Pittsfield. 2
Haskell John, Dover. 15
Hastings G. H., Rome, Italy. 23
Hatch Roger C., Warwick. 9
Haven John, Charlton. 6
Haven Joseph, Amherst. 16
Hawks Roswell, South Hadley. 13
Hawks Theron H., West Springfield. 11
Hazen T. A., Dalton. 2
Headley P. C., Sandwich. 25
Hine S. 10
Hinsdale Charles J., Blandford. 11
Hitchcock Calvin, D. D., Wrentham. 15
Hitchcock Edward, D. D., Amherst. 13
Hill George E., Sheffield. 3
Hixon Asa, Franklin. 15
Hoadley L. Ives, Auburn. 27
Hodgman Edwin R., Lynnfield Centre. 8
Hoisington H. R., Williamstown. 2
Holbrook Willard, Rowley. 7
Holman David, Douglas. 14
Holman Sydney, West Millbury. 14
Holmes Franklin, Norton. 24
Homes Francis, Westfield. 11
Hooker Henry B., Falmouth. 25
Hopkins Mark, D. D., Williamstown. 2
Hoppin James M., Salem. 8
Hosford Benjamin F., Haverhill. 7
Hosford Isaac, Lowell. 1
Houghton James C., South Wilbraham. 10
Houghton William A., Berlin. 27
Hovey George L., Greenfield. 9, 27
Howland Freeman P., Abington. 20
Hubbard Anson, East Falmouth. 25
Hull Joseph D., Somerville. 26
Humphrey Heman, D. D., Pittsfield. 2
Hunt Samuel, Franklin. 15
Huntington Daniel, New London, Ct. 18

Ide Jacob, D. D., West Medway. 15
Ide Jacob, Jr., Mansfield. 15

Jackson Samuel C., D. D., Andover. 1
Jackson William C., Lincoln. 16
James Horace, Worcester. 27
Jessup Lewis, Millbury. 14
Johnson Joseph B., Plymouth. 20
Jones T. N., North Reading. 26
Jenks William, D. D., Boston. 22
Jenkins Jonathan L., Lowell. 1
Judkins Benjamin, Somerville. 22

Keep John, Dana. 6
Kellogg Elijah, Boston. 23
Kendall S. C., Webster. 27
Kimball Caleb, Medway. 15
Kimball David T., Ipswich. 7, 8
Kimball Edward P., Chiltonville. 20
Kimball James, Oakham. 6
King Jonathan, Abington. 20
Kingman Matthew, Charlemont. 9
Kirk Edward N., Boston. 23
Kittredge C. B., Monson. 10
Knight Richard, South Hadley Falls. 10, 11
Lamphear Orpheus T., Lowell. 1

Langstroth Lorenzo L., Coleraine. 9
Langworthy Isaac P., Chelsea. 22
Laurie Thomas, West Roxbury. 23

Lawrence John, Carlisle. 26
Leland John H. M., Palmer. 10
Leonard Edwin, Milton. 18
Lewis Wales, Haverhill. 7
Lincoln I. N., Williamstown. 2
Little E. G., Ashburnham. 28
Livingston Charles, Mattapoisett. 19
Lombard Otis, Southfield. 3
Longley Moses L., Peru. 2
Loomis E., Littleton. 17
Loomis Wilbur F., Shelburne. 9
Lord Charles, Whately. 12
Lothrop Charles D., Attleboro'. 21
Luce Leonard, Boxboro'. 17
Lyman George, Sutton. 14
Lyman S., Easthampton. 12

McCollom, James T., Bradford. 7
McEwen Robert, Enfield. 13
McLoud Anson, Topsfield. 21
Maltby Erastus, Taunton. 24
Mandell William A., Lunenburg. 17
Mann Cyrus, North Falmouth. 25
Manning Jacob M., Medford. 26
Marsh Christopher, Jamaica Plain. 23
Marsh Dwight W., Mosul, Turkey. 2
Marvin Abijah P., Winchendon. 28
Marvin Elihu P., Medford. 26
Maynard Joshua L., East Douglas. 14
Means James, Groton. 17
Means James H., Dorchester. 18
Means John O. 15
Merrick James L., South Amherst. 13
Merrill James H., West Andover. 1
Merrill Joseph, Lowell. 1
Miles James B., Charlestown. 22
Miller Rodney A., Worcester. 27
Miller Simeon, Holyoke. 11
Miller William, Sterling. 27
Mills Charles L., North Bridgewater. 18
Mills Henry, Granby. 13
Moody Eli, Erving. 9
Moore George, Andover. 1
Mordough John H., Hamilton. 8
Morgridge Charles, Harwich Port. 4
Morley S. B., West Attleboro'. 24
Morong Thomas, Holliston. 17
Morse Jason, Brimfield. 6
Munger Theodore F., Dorchester Village. 18
Morton Alpha, Assabet. 17
Munroe Nathan, Bradford. 7
Murray James O., South Danvers. 8
Myrick Osborne, Provincetown. 4

Nash John A., Amherst. 13
Nason Elias, Natick. 16
Neally J. W., Ipswich. 7
Nelson John, D. D., Leicester. 27
Nevin Edwin H., Walpole. 15
Newcomb Harvey, Brooklyn, N. Y. 16
Nickels Christopher M, Barre. 27
Noble Edward W., Truro. 4
Northrop B. G., Saxonville. 16
Norton C. H, North Becket. 2
Norton John F., Athol. 28
Norwood Francis, Hartland, Ct. 11
Nott Samuel, Jr., Wareham. 19

Orcutt John, Hartford, Ct. 14
Ordway Samuel, North Beverly. 21
Oliphant David, Andover. 1
Osgood Samuel, D. D., Springfield. 10

Packard Abel K., Yarmouth. 4
Packard Charles, North Middleboro'. 5
Packard D. T., Campello. 18
Paine Albert, West Amesbury. 7
Paine John C., Gardner. 28
Paine William P., Holden. 27
Park Calvin E., West Boxford. 7
Park Edwards A., D. D., Andover. 22
Park H. G., Burlington. 9, 26
Parker Henry W., New Bedford. 19
Parker Leonard S., Haverhill. 7
Parsons H. M., Springfield. 10
Parsons John U., Hyannis. 4
Patrick Henry J., Bedford. 26
Patrick Joseph H., Amherst. 13
Pease Giles, Boston. 4
Peabody Charles, North Pawnal, Vt. 2
Peck David, Orange. 9
Pennell Lewis, West Stockbridge Centre. 3
Peirce Willard, North Abington. 18
Perkins A. E. P., Ware. 6
Perkins H R. W., Medford. 26
Perkins Jonas, Weymouth. 18
Perry David, Brookfield. 6
Perry Gardner B., D. D., Groveland. 7
Perry Ralph, Agawam. 11
Perry T. C., Windsor. 2
Peters Absalom, D. D., Williamstown. 2
Phelps Austin, Andover. 23
Phelps Winthrop H., Monterey. 3
Phillips John C., Methuen. 1
Phillips L. R, Sharon. 18
Phipps William, Paxton. 27
Pickard Daniel W., Groveland. 7
Pickett Aaron, Sandisfield. 3
Pike John, Rowley. 7
Pomroy Jeremiah, West Hawley. 9
Pomroy Swan L., D. D., Boston. 22
Poor Daniel J, Gorham, Me. 15
Porter Charles S., South Boston. 23
Powers Dennis, South Abington. 18
Pratt Edward, New York. 15
Pratt E., Brewster. 4
Pratt Francis G., South Malden. 22
Pratt Henry, Dudley. 6

Pratt Miner G., Andover. 27
Pratt Stillman, Middleboro'. 20
Prince John M., Georgetown. 7
Putnam Israel W., D. D., Middleboro'. 5

Quint Alonzo H., Jamaica Plain. 23

Raymond Stetson, Bridgewater. 5
Reed Andrew H., Mendon. 15
Reed Frederick A., Cohasset. 18
Renshaw C. S., Richmond. 2
Rich Alonzo B., Beverly. 8
Richards George, Boston. 22
Richardson Nathaniel, Lanesville. 8
Richmond Thomas T., Boston. 15
Riddel Samuel H., Boston. 23
Roberts Jacob, Fairhaven. 19
Roberts James A., Middleboro'. 19
Robinson Reuben T., Winchester. 26
Rockwood Otis, Bridgewater. 5
Rockwood Samuel L., Hanson. 18
Rood Thomas H., Goshen. 12
Ropes William L., Wrentham. 15
Russell Ezekiel, East Randolph. 18

Sabin Lewis, Templeton. 28
Sanders Marshall D., Ceylon. 2
Sanford Baalis, East Bridgewater. 5
Sanford David, Medway. 15
Sanford Enoch, Dighton. 4, 5
Sanford William H., Boylston Centre. 27
Sawyer Benjamin, Salisbury. 7
Searle Richard T., New Marlboro'. 3
Seeley R. H., Springfield. 10
Sessions Alexander J., Melrose. 26
Sewall Jotham B., Lynn. 21
Sewall Samuel, Burlington. 26
Seymour C. N., Whately. 12
Seymour Henry, Hawley. 9
Sheldon Luther, D. D., Easton. 18
Sheldon Luther H., Westboro'. 27
Sleeper William T., Worcester. 27
Smith ——, Pepperell. 17
Smith Asa B., Buckland. 9
Smith Charles, Boston. 23
Smith John D., Berkley. 24
Smith Matson M., Brookline. 23
Smith Stephen S., Warren. 6
Snell Thomas, D. D., North Brookfield. 6
Snow Porter H., Baltimore, Md. 10
Southgate Robert, Ipswich. 7, 8
Southworth Tertius D. 15
Spaulding Samuel J., Newburyport. 7
Stearns Jesse G. D., Billerica. 26
Stearns William A., D. D., Amherst. 13
Stone Andrew L., Boston. 23
Stone Cyrus, Boston. 4
Stone Rollin S., East Hampton. 12
Stone Timothy D. P., Norwich, Conn. 15
Storrs Richard S., D. D., Braintree. 18
Stowe Timothy, New Bedford. 19
Stowell Abijah, Gardner. 28
Strong David A., South Deerfield. 9
Strong Stephen C., Southampton. 12
Sturtevant William H., Holmes' Hole. 25
Sullivan Lot B. 13
Swallow Joseph E., Nantucket. 19
Sweetser Seth, D. D., Worcester. 27
Swift Edward Y., South Hadley. 13

Tappan Benjamin, Jr., Charlestown. 22
Tarbox Increase N., Boston. 16
Tatlock John, Williamstown. 2
Taylor Jeremiah, Wenham. 21
Taylor John L., Andover. 1
Taylor Rufus, Manchester. 8
Teele Albert K., Milton. 18
Tenney Francis V., Byfield. 7
Terry Calvin, North Weymouth. 18
Terry James P., South Weymouth. 18
Thacher Isaiah C., Middleboro'. 19
Thayer Joseph, South Franklin. 15
Thayer William M., Ashland. 16
Thompson Augustus C., Roxbury. 23
Thompson Leander, West Amesbury. 7
Thompson Otis, North Abington. 5
Thurston Eli, Fall River. 24
Thurston R. B., Chicopee. 10
Tisdale James, Shutesbury. 9
Todd John, D. D., Pittsfield. 2
Tolman Richard, Tewksbury. 1
Tolman Samuel H., Wilmington. 26
Tracy Joseph, Beverly. 21
Treat Selah B., Boston. 23
Tuck J. W., Ludlow. 10
Tucker Joshua T., Holliston. 15
Tupper Martyn, Hardwick. 6
Tyler William, Pawtucket. 13
Tyler W. H., Elizabethtown, N. J. 2

Uhler George, Curtisville, Stockbridge. 3
Utley Samuel, Austerlitz, N. Y. 3

Vaill J., D. D., Palmer. 10

Waldo Levi F., North Brookfield. 6
Walker Horace D., East Abington. 18
Walker J. B. R., Holyoke. 11
Walker Townsend, Chester Village. 11
Ward James W., Abington. 18
Ward S. D., Feeding Hills. 11
Warren William, Upton. 14
Waterbury Jared B., D. D., Boston. 22
Webster, John C., Hopkinton. 16
Weliman Joshua W., Newton Corner. 23
Wells John H , Kingston, R. I. 4
Wheaton Levi, Gloucester. 8
Wheeler M. G., South Dartmouth. 19

White Isaac C., North Abington, 18
White Jacob, Orleans. 4
White Lyman, Easton. 18
Whitmore Zolva, Becket. 3
Whitney John, Waltham 22
Wickes John, Canaan, N. Y. 2
Wight Daniel, Jr., North Scituate. 18
Willcox G. B., Fitchburg. 17
Wilcox Philo B., East Bridgewater. 18
Wilder H. A., South Africa. 2
Wilder Moses H., Harwich. 4
Willard John, Fairhaven. 19
Williams N. W., Shrewsbury. 27
Williams Thomas, Providence, R. I. 15
Wilson Thomas, Stoughton. 18
Winchester Warren W., Clinton. 27
Winslow Hubbard, New York. 22
Withington Leonard, D. D., Newburyport. 7
Wood ——, Holland. 6
Wood Charles W., Ashby. 17
Woodbury James T., Milford. 15
Woodbury Samuel. 24
Woodbridge John, D. D., Hadley. 13
Woodbridge Jonathan E., Auburndale. 23
Woodman Henry A., Newburyport. 7
Woodworth Charles L., Amherst. 13
Worcester Isaac R., Auburndale. 27
Worcester Samuel M., D. D., Salem. 21

☞It is expected that each member of the District Associations in Massachusetts will make returns agreeably to this form, to the Statistical (or other) Scribe of his Association on or before Feb. 1 next ensuing; and that the Scribe, after obtaining returns from delinquents, will combine all the returns to his Association into one, *arranging the churches in alphabetical order, adding up and stating the whole amount in each column, and making the return, in all respects, as complete as possible*, and send them to the Statistical Secretary on or before April 1.

The *absent* members are those who *reside* in other places than that of their church, so that they do not worship with it; they are to be included in the "total." Wherever "none" is the appropriate return under any head, *write it out in full;* a blank will be considered as constituting a defective return. Verify each date by original records. Write out names fully, accurately and legibly. The "Sab. Sch." includes *all* pupils and teachers. These returns are to cover the year 1856, and not a day before or after.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856			Removed 1856.				Baptisms		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Total,																	

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MINUTES.

The General Association of Massachusetts assembled in the Congregational Church in Belchertown, on Tuesday, June 23, 1857, at 5 o'clock, P. M. The delegates were called to order by Rev. Henry B. Blake; and Rev. Alonzo H. Quint was appointed Scribe, *pro tem.*

The following clergymen presented certificates of their election as Delegates from District Associations, and were enrolled as members:—

Andover,—E. B. Foster, C. E. Fisher.
Berkshire North,—C. S. Renshaw, T. A. Hazen.
Berkshire South,—L. Pennel, Nahum Gale.
Brewster,—E. W. Noble, O. Myrick.
Bridgewater,—
Brookfield,—S. Byington, John Keep.
Essex North,—F. V. Tenney, L. S. Parker.
Essex South,—Wakefield Gale.
Franklin,—D. A. Strong, James Tisdale.
Hampden East,—H. M. Parsons, R. H. Seeley.
Hampden West,—T. Walker, T. H. Hawkes.
Hampshire,—C. N. Seymour, Gordon Hall.
Hampshire East,—C. L. Woodworth, G. E. Fisher.
Harmony,—George Lyman.
Mendon,—J. T. Woodbury, Samuel Hunt.
Middlesex South,—J. C. Bodwell, Erastus Dickenson.
Middlesex Union,—W. A. Mandell.

Norfolk,—J. P. Terry, James H. Means.
Old Colony,—Leander Cobb, E. W. Harrington.
Pilgrim,—Ebenezer Alden, Jr., Josiah Ballard.
Salem,—Anson M'Loud, Joseph Tracy.
Suffolk North,—Joseph A. Copp.
Suffolk South,—H. M. Dexter.
Taunton,—J. O. Barney, S. B. Morley.
Vineyard Sound,—Ebenezer Burgess.
Woburn,—J. G. D. Stearns.
Worcester Central,—Ebenezer Cutler, W. H. Sanford.
Worcester North,—E. W. Bullard, Abijah Stowell.
Also, Mass. Home Miss. Soc.,—J. S. Clark, D. D., J. P. Cleveland, D. D.
And ex-officiis,—H. B. Blake, E. Davis, D. D., and A. H. Quint.

The following, who had represented the Association in corresponding bodies during the past year, were enrolled as Honorary Members:

A. P. Marvin, delegate to General Convention of Vermont.
David Sanford, delegate to Congregational Convention of Wisconsin.
J. Jay Dana, delegate to Congregational Union of Canada.
W. H. Beaman, delegate to Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island.
S. D. Clark, delegate to General Association of New York.

And the following were elected Honorary Members:

Milton Badger, D. D., of New York.
W. A. Stearns, D. D., and Joseph Haven, of Amherst.
Nathan Munroe, of Boston.
O. W. Cooley and Theodore Cook, of Wisconsin.
Prescott Fay, of New Hampshire.
Christopher Cushing, of Brookfield.

The following clergymen were present as Delegates from Corresponding Bodies:

General Association of New Hampshire,—Asa Mann.
Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island,—Samuel Wolcott.

General Association of Connecticut,—S. T. Richards and Joseph Knight.

General Association of New York,—H. N. Dunning.

General Conference of Ohio,—James C. White.

General Convention of Wisconsin,—I. N. Cundall.

General Association of Iowa,—G. G. Rice.

Congregational Union of Canada,—John Frazer.

Presbyterian General Assembly, (N. S.),—A. T. Chester, D. D.

ORGANIZATION.

Rev. Henry M. Dexter, of Boston, was chosen Moderator; Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, of Jamaica Plain, Scribe; and Rev. James H. Means, of Dorchester, Assistant Scribe.

Prayer was offered by the Moderator.

The Rules of the Association were read by the Secretary.

The following Committees were appointed:

On Credentials:—Rev. Messrs. Bodwell, Parsons, and Gale of Rockport.

On Accounts:—Rev. Messrs. Gale of Lee, and Terry.

On Nominations:—Rev. Messrs. J. S. Clark, D. D., Cutler, and Byington.

On Arrangements:—Rev. Messrs. Blake, Fisher of Amherst, and Copp.

RE-ARRANGEMENT OF RULES.

On motion of Rev. J. S. Clark, D. D., a Committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs. J. S. Clark, D. D., Quint, and Means, was appointed to re-arrange the Rules of this body.

REPORTS.

The Committee upon Credentials made a report, which was adopted.

The Committee of Arrangements reported regarding the evening service and the time of sessions for Wednesday; which report was adopted.

After prayer by Rev. Mr. Barney, the Association adjourned, to meet at 7½ o'clock, for divine service.

7½ *o'clock, P. M.* The Association met for public worship, when a sermon in behalf of the Home Missionary cause was preached by Rev. John P. Cleaveland, D. D., of Lowell, from 1 Cor. ii : 4; the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Milton Badger, D. D. A collection was taken up, amounting to $19 00.

The Association adjourned, to meet on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock,—notice being given of a meeting for prayer at 8 o'clock.

Wednesday, A. M., 9 o'clock. The Association met according to adjournment,—the preceding hour having been occupied in devotional exercises. The roll was called; prayer was offered by the Moderator; and the minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

REPORTS OF DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

Reports of attendance in person were made by the following brethren :—

Rev. A. P. Marvin, delegate to the General Convention of Vermont.

Rev. David Sanford, delegate to General Convention of Wisconsin.

Rev. J. Jay Dana and E. W. Noble, delegates to the Congregational Union of Canada.

Rev. E. Davis, D. D., delegate to the General Association of New Hampshire.

Rev. Wm. P. Paine reported by letter his attendance upon the Consociation of Rhode Island.

Rev. Aaron Foster reported by letter his attendance upon the General Association of Iowa.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Rev. E. Davis, D. D., and Rev. Gordon Hall were appointed a Committee to receive the votes of the District Associations upon the question of Correspondence with the Presbyterian Churches, as last year referred, and to propose action in view of the same.

The General Associations of Kansas and Minnesota were admitted as Corresponding Bodies.

COMMITTEES.

The *Committee of Nomination* reported the following names for the offices specified:—

On Publication,—Rev. Messrs. Dexter, Means, and (ex-officio) Quint.

On Nomination of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies,—Rev. Messrs. Seeley, Morley, and Dr. Davis.

On Narrative of the State of Religion,—Rev. Messrs. Foster of Lowell, Hunt, Tenney, Myrick, and Sanford of Boylston.

EXERCISES AT ANNUAL MEETINGS.

Rev. Dr. Davis presented the report of the Committee appointed in 1856, "to draft the details of a plan" then adopted "to revise the mode of proceeding at Annual Meetings." The Report was accepted, and the Committee on Re-arrangement of Rules was instructed to draft the necessary changes.

HOME MISSIONS.

Resolutions concerning the need of larger aid to feeble churches in Massachusetts were referred to a Committee to ascertain the facts in the case and report next year: said Committee consists of Rev. Messrs. Copp of Chelsea, Bullard of Royalston, Hunt of Franklin, Gale of Rockport, Clark of Sunderland, Tracy of Beverly, and Dr. J. S. Clark.

AMENDMENTS TO RULES.

The Committee on Revision made a report, which was ordered to be read a second time, tomorrow.

CHURCH PSALMODY.

A resolution appointing a Committee to consider the subject of Church Psalmody, was indefinitely postponed.

Adjourned, after prayer, to meet at 2½ o'clock, P. M.

Wednesday, 2½, *P. M.* Met according to adjournment; prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Wolcott.

NARRATIVES OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

The Association listened to the reports of the state of religion in the various district Associations, and to a report from the Statistical Secretary.

PREACHER UPON HOME MISSIONS.

Rev. I. E. Dwinell, of Salem, was appointed Substitute Preacher on Home Missions for 1858, Rev. J. Jay Dana being Primary.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The Committee on this subject reported as follows:

The returns from the District Associations in regard to Correspondence with the several Assemblies of the Presbyterian Churches are as follows:

We have received returns from twenty-five Associations; twelve of these are in favor of a discontinuance of the correspondence, and eleven for its continuance; and two, whose action has been recent, voted to discontinue the correspondence with the Old School Assembly, but to continue it with the New School Assembly.

The result therefore is, that fourteen out of twenty-five are in favor of *discontinuing* the correspondence with the Old School Assembly, and thirteen out of twenty-five are in favor of *continuing* it with the New School Assembly.

Whereupon it was *Voted*, to continue the correspondence with the General Assembly, (N. S.,) and discontinue correspondence with the General Assembly, (O. S.)

TEMPERANCE.

The following resolution was adopted:—

Whereas the Reports from the several Associations have shown that the progress of the cause of Temperance for some years, and its present condition and prospects, are far from being satisfactory, therefore

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to inquire whether any errors or neglects of this Association and the pastors and churches connected therewith, may have contributed to this result, and what they can do to counteract the evil.

Rev. Messrs. Tracy, Seeley, and Barney were appointed said Committee.

DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

The Committee to nominate Delegates to Corresponding Bodies reported the following list, which was adopted:

To the Presbyterian General Assembly, (N. S.):
Primaries, Ezekiel Russell, Moses H. Wilder;
Substitutes, I. W. Putnam, D. D., Timothy Stowe.

To the General Conference of Maine:
Primaries, Joseph Vaill, D. D., James O. Barney;
Substitutes, S. D. Ward, Thomas W. Duncan.

To the General Association of New Hampshire:
Primaries, J. H. Bisbee, J. G. D. Stearns;
Substitutes, R. Ayres, Ebenezer Cutler.

To the General Convention of Vermont:
Primaries, Jacob Ide, D. D., Darwin Adams;
Substitutes, T. A. Hazen, I. N. Tarbox.

To the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island:
Primaries, David Holman, John C. Paine;
Substitutes, J. P. Cleaveland, D. D., Samuel Hunt.

To the General Associations of Connecticut and Oregon:
Primary, Christopher Cushing;
Substitute, D. H. Babcock.

To the General Association of New York:
Primaries, Horace James, E. P. Blodgett;
Substitutes, Thomas C. Biscoe, Marcus Ames.

To the Congregational Conference of Ohio, and the General Association of California:
Primary, James H. Means;
Substitutes, J. T. M'Collom, J. B. Clark.

To the General Association of Illinois:
Primaries, Daniel Fitz, Joseph A. Copp;
Substitutes, Charles Lord, A. C. Thompson.

To the General Association of Michigan:
Primaries, Ralph Perry, Hiram Carlton;
Substitutes, Gordon Hall, E. P. Marvin.

To the General Convention of Wisconsin:
Primaries, Heman Humphrey, D. D., D. M. Elwood;
Substitutes, Otis Lombard, B. B. Beardsley.

To the General Association of Iowa:
Primaries, Robert Southgate, H. M. Dexter;
Substitutes, John Bowers, Eli Thurston.

To the General Associations of Kansas and Minnesota:
Primaries, E. A. Bulkley, J. Jay Dana;
Substitute, Thomas Wilson.

To the Congregational Union of Canada:
Primaries, William Gould, David Brigham;
Substitute, John H. Gurney.

To the Congregational Union of England and Wales:
Primary, Edward N. Kirk, D. D.;
Substitutes, I. E. Dwinell, J. A. Albro, D. D.

CHURCH PSALMODY.

A letter was read from the Chairman of the Committee on Church Psalmody appointed in 1856, showing that no progress had been made by the Committee.

The Association adjourned to 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Wednesday evening, 7½ *o'clock.* Met according to adjournment, and after singing, prayer was offered by Rev. Joseph Knight.

SALUTATIONS.

The Association received salutations of delegates from Corresponding Bodies, as follows:

Rev. Asa Mann, from the General Association of New Hampshire.

Rev. Messrs. Joseph Knight and S. T. Richards, from the General Association of Connecticut.

Rev. John Frazer, from the Congregational Union of Canada.

Rev. Samuel Wolcott, from the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island.

Rev. H. N. Dunning, from the General Association of New York.

Rev. G. G. Rice, from the General Association of Iowa.

Rev. J. C. White, from the Ohio Congregational Conference.

Rev. I. N. Cundall, from the General Convention of Wisconsin.

Rev. A. T. Chester, D. D., from the (N. S.) Presbyterian General Assembly; in the course of which he presented the action of that body defining the basis of correspondence substantially as follows:—"The General Assembly have never intended to refuse to corresponding bodies any right or privileges which are compatible with true delicacy, courtesy and Christian charity; in the light of which, the Assembly would respectfully request all bodies in correspondence with us to interpret all past acts of the Assembly."

After prayer by Rev. Dr. Chester, and singing, the Association adjourned till 9 o'clock Thursday morning.

Thursday, 9, *A. M.* The Association met at the hour appointed, having spent an hour in devotional exercises. Prayer was offered; the roll was called, and the minutes of the previous day approved.

CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

The Association listened to an address from Rev. J. S. Clark, D. D., in respect to the Congregational Library Asso-

ciation and its new building, and adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the enterprise recently inaugurated of securing a building in Boston, to be owned by the Congregational Library Association, and used for purposes specified in their late circular, has our hearty approval; and while we hereby pledge our individual coöperation in completing the work, we recommend that one collection be taken for the object by each Congregational Church within the bounds of this Association.

AMENDMENTS.

The amendments to Rules and By-Laws, ordered to a second reading, were taken up, discussed and adopted as printed in connection with these Minutes.

TEMPERANCE.

The Committee upon Temperance reported as follows:

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to have the subject in charge, and report at the next annual meeting.

The report was adopted; and Rev. Messrs. Tracy of Beverly, Cushing of North Brookfield, and Gale of Lee, were appointed said Committee.

MINUTES.

Voted, That all copies of the Minutes of past years now remaining, and all remaining year by year, be deposited with the Congregational Library Association, subject to the order of the Secretaries, for the purposes of this General Association.

Voted, That the Publishing Committee be authorized to offer copies for sale.

HOME MISSIONS.

The following was adopted:

Resolved, That the position of the American Home Missionary, in respect to the disbursement of their funds to churches containing persons who hold their fellow-men in bondage contrary to the dictates of humanity, meets with our most hearty approval.

PLACE OF MEETING, PREACHER, AND PASTORAL LETTER FOR 1858.

Voted, That the session for 1858 be held in Dorchester, with the Second Church; that the Associational preacher be appointed by Hampden West Association; that Rev. Messrs. Bisbee of Worthington, Colton of East Hampton, and Cooke of Williamsburg, prepare the Pastoral Letter for 1858; and that Rev. Dr. Sweetser, and Rev. Messrs. Dwinell and Gordon Hall prepare the schedule of questions for discussion at the next session.

NARRATIVE.

Rev. E. B. Foster read the Narrative, which was adopted, and ordered to be published with the Minutes.

ACCOUNTS.

The Treasurer's Report, properly audited, was presented, adopted, and ordered to be published with the Minutes.

INFANT BAPTISM.

The report of the Committee appointed in 1855 was read, and its closing resolution adopted as follows:

Resolved, That the benevolence of the gospel, the recorded history of the interest of God in the children of his people, the fitness of the rite to meet the necessities of the parent's heart, the hope it inspires of the salvation of our children, and the aid it is calculated to afford in securing the welfare of the rising generation and the perpetuation of religion, etc., urge us to all diligence in honoring and sustaining Infant Baptism as a favored ordinance in our churches.

It was also *Voted*, That the report be printed in such method as may seem best to the Publishing Committee.

VOTES OF THANKS.

The following votes of thanks were passed:

The General Association would express their hearty thanks to the people of Belchertown for their kind and liberal hospitalities; to the Congregational Church and Society for the use of their church; and to the Choir for their acceptable aid.

They also express their special pleasure in the arrangement by which they have been permitted on successive days to dine together.

SLAVERY.

Resolved, That in view of the importance of correct opinions upon the various points involved in the present conflict with slavery, we welcome the recent action of the American Tract Society in resolving to publish tracts upon the evils of slavery.

Adjourned to meet at 2, P. M., for divine service.

Thursday, 2, *P. M.* The Association met at the hour of adjournment for public services.

The Associational Sermon was preached by Rev. C. Cushing of North Brookfield, from John xvii : 21,—Rev. Mr. Richards of Connecticut assisting in the devotional services.

The Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. Mr. Mann of New Hampshire and Rev. Dr. Badger, of New York.

PASTORAL LETTER.

The Pastoral Letter was referred to the Publishing Committee to be printed.

STATISTICS.

The Statistical Secretary was authorized to insert, if it seem practicable, the dates of ministerial ordinations, in next year's Statistics. Also, to insert in the present issue the statistics of such churches as have pastors disconnected with this body,—if approved by the Publishing Committee.

VOTES OF THANKS.

The thanks of the Association were presented to the Moderator for the able and excellent manner in which he had presided in the meetings at this session.

The Association then adjourned, *sine die*.

HENRY M. DEXTER, *Moderator.*

ALONZO H. QUINT, *Scribe.*
JAMES H. MEANS, *Assistant Scribe.*

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

Dear Brethren,—

In presenting you with our customary Annual Address, while avoiding a spirit of dictation, we desire to call your attention to those aspects of Christian life and duty which are in special danger of neglect. Paul exhorted his brethren, "Be not conformed to this world." If in the early age of Christianity and in times of persecution this admonition was necessary, how much more in this day of light; for the world here assumes a more winning appearance, because under the restraints of Christian institutions. Is there not danger to piety from the seductive influences of a wicked world? Is the nature of the heart changed by the advance of civilization? In this progressive age and land, in these times when rages the passion for speedy acquisition of wealth and for equally rapid expenditure; in this country where the cloak of Christianity is thrown around the relics of barbarism, is there not danger that the people of God will forget their high vocation, and give way before the popular current? We would ask you to interrogate conscience and to observe the actual condition of things in our churches, and to decide whether we have not reason for addressing you a word of admonition against conformity to this world?

The world corrupts the churches through its *maxims*. These, when avowed, are sufficiently earthy, selfish, and godless. But followers of Christ should bear in mind that the depraved heart is restrained from an open avowal of its baseness. Hence many of these false maxims in use in business, in politics, and in social life, are given forth in scripture language, or assume some religious form, and thus deceive those who are still but imperfectly sanctified.

The *usages* of the world are also influential upon the people of God. We are apt to heed what is popular and established, and are too ready to satisfy conscience with what has become an institution, a statute, or a custom. But as the principles of the world are wrong, the superstructure of its usages, however fair and imposing, is also contrary to the Word of God. Did we go back to the origin and nature of slavery, of war, and of intemperance, we should not yield to the overpowering influence of great names and of antiquity. But when we see sinful customs strong, established, popular, and extending, we are inclined by the weakness of our own moral principle to do as we behold others do, and to be silent when we ought to speak.

The *spirit* of the world is even more insidious than its avowed principles and usages; for its nature is more subtle. We need not declare in words, "No God; no hereafter; no heaven; no hell." These are the real, though not always the expressed principles upon which the world conducts its affairs. But in a Christian land the natural heart is restrained by education and ancestral and parental remembrances, and by the outward institutions of the Gospel, so that the real character of the depraved heart is concealed and often assumes a winning appearance. Yet the corrupt and debasing influence of the world penetrates partially sanctified hearts and dwells beneath religious forms. It goes into the sanctuary and the closet, and divests the Christian life of spirituality. The Christian in the midst of the world is in an atmosphere surcharged with atheism, selfishness and hate. His own heart is too ready to give itself up to this contamination, and thus not only "follow a multitude to do evil," but become disinclined towards the means of grace and unfit for the fellowship of Christians and the worship of God.

And now, dear brethren, is not the world in these ways ensnaring the people of God? Are you indeed a "peculiar people"? Or do you, in business concerns, in civil relations and in social life, appear very much like the people of this world? Is not your style of living, your devotion to temporal affairs, and your practice in acquiring wealth, quite similar

to the life of those who avowedly serve "the god of this world"? Do you not even neglect the duties of religion in the family and in the closet from the pressure of the world, or because at certain times and places at least, you are "ashamed of Jesus"? Do you not entertain views of divine worship similar to those of the impenitent; and regard chiefly the place and the proprieties of worship, and depart from God's house satisfied with a brilliant intellectual entertainment from the pulpit and an artistic performance from the organist and choir, while you have not only failed to praise God with your lips, but to enjoy his presence in answer to earnest prayer in your hearts? Do you not find yourselves apologising for sin in high places and declining to "open" your "mouth for the dumb"; and to testify as God's witnesses against outrage and oppression; and this for reasons similar to those which seal the lips of the men of the world? Do you not keep silence respecting, perhaps apologize for and defend, slavery, war, intemperance and other prevailing sins? When you regard your habits of worship, your life, your feelings, respecting the worldliness of the age and the sins of our country, do you not feel that you are in danger from the world, if not already under its spell? We "speak as to wise men; judge ye what" we "say."

And now, dear brethren, how is this danger to be met; this snare to be escaped? How are you to become "transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God"?

By cultivating a high sense of *personal responsibility.* Joshua, Nehemiah, and Daniel present illustrations of this abiding feeling in the minds of men in places of trust and authority. The familiar example of Harlan Page shows us how much the same feeling does for a Christian in common life. We need to realize that in matters of conscience no human authority has the right to interpose itself between our souls and God, and that no example of the multitude is of itself a rule for our individual duty. With a sacred regard for the value of our own souls, we shall look beyond the mere decisions of men, to the great tribunal where we shall

stand in the presence of Him who will "Judge the quick and the dead," and shall answer for ourselves, and where human opinions and usages, though supported by precedent, wealth and power, will be tried in an unerring balance.

Love to Christ should also be tenderly cherished as a means of resisting the prevailing tendencies to sin. If, dear brethren, you are in the habit of daily personal communion with your Savior, if you maintain an abiding sense of the presence of Him whom you serve, you will find in this master passion a power to expel avarice, pride, false shame and other unhallowed emotions, and grace and strength to enable you "to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand." Feel that your Savior is a living Savior; that every prayer you offer he instantly presents; like Paul, determine "not to know any thing" "save Jesus Christ and him crucified"; and you will come out unscathed from the fiery furnace and continue faithful amid all sinful allurements.

A good *hope of heaven*, should moreover be maintained as a means of present growth in grace. Look then to your future inheritance; to the riches which are beyond the reach of moth and rust; to the society which finds delight in doing the will of God. This will raise you above what is gross and earthy, sensual and devilish. It will enable you to attach just their appropriate importance to the opinions and customs of men, and their precise present value to the things of this life.

Feel, dear brethren, that you have, individually, souls to save, or lose; a Savior who has bought you with his own precious blood; a heavenly inheritance in reserve to gain; and by divine grace you will be assisted to "use this world as not abusing it"; to resist and bear testimony against every thing that dishonors God and hinders the progress of the kingdom of his dear Son; to advance in the divine life and walk with God; to bring darkened souls to a knowledge of the truth; to work while the day lasts; and having done and suffered all expected of you here below, to ascend and join with the "hundred and forty and four thousand" around the throne in heaven.

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

The local Associations report to this body an unusual number of revivals in the churches of the State during the last year. In many cases, the dews of mercy have descended gently and with uniformity through the year, bringing many plants of righteousness to maturity, diffusing an aspect of fruitfulness and beauty over all the moral landscape. In other cases, God has blessed the churches with special effusions of the Holy Spirit, and large numbers have been converted. Intelligence of these refreshings from the Lord has come to us from more than sixty churches. In many places churches have been built up in their most holy faith; family altars, long broken down, have been again erected; and new attention has been given to the religious education of youth where the number of estimated conversions is but small.

In Pittsfield the subjects of the revival number between three and four hundred. In Boston it is believed that as many as six hundred persons have been hopefully converted, or radically quickened in the religious life. In most places only the usual means of grace have been employed. Some extra meetings have been held, but mainly meetings for prayer. The hearts of Christians have been revived, and their labor for souls has been more direct. Sermons have been prepared with careful adaptation to awaken the careless and to lead the anxious to Christ. Fidelity in the Sabbath school and in the family has been rewarded with an abundant blessing. One feature of these revivals is worthy of distinct consideration. The report has gone abroad that "an earnest

anti-slavery sentiment in some of the New England churches, and the preaching of anti-slavery doctrine from the pulpit is rendering the state of religion cheerless and dull." Such an idea, so far as the churches of this Association are concerned, is strangely erroneous. The members of our churches cherish a Christian anti-slavery sentiment—a sentiment not disorganizing, nor denunciatory, nor rash—but a calm conviction that the Bible is the foundation of piety and of civil freedom, and that both must flourish or fall together. Never, probably, has so much prayer been offered for the preservation of our liberties since the hour when our fathers felt that they had cast their fortunes upon a desperate venture; that it was not the strong hand but the just cause that must win; and that they had no prospect of success if they did not recognize their dependence upon God in the time of national entanglements and distresses.

There is a darker side to this picture of church prosperity. A prominent and painful feature brought to view by the reports of the present year, is the gradual diminution of many of the churches of the Commonwealth, by causes that seem to be not only actively but permanently at work. The causes referred to are the diversion and change of business effected by our system of railroads, and that immense and constant emigration to the West which is now in progress. By the former, while a quick and astonishing growth of some towns and villages is occasioned, a decline in others, equally apparent, is witnessed. By the latter have arisen that constant drain and depletion which threaten the destruction of churches that were once influential. From these features of the times have arisen new exigencies on the part of many churches, which can but throw new responsibilities on those more fortunate. These churches must not be allowed to become extinct; these altars around which the fathers worshipped, must neither be thrown down, nor allowed to crumble to ruins. Fidelity, even to the West, demands that we should take care of the East. Keep the sources, from which flow these constant streams towards the setting sun, pure and healthful. Guard well the *hive* from which go forth the swarms that

settle down upon the wide expanse that spreads itself so invitingly before them.

Another subject intimately connected with the foregoing is the visible change and deterioration in the character and habits of many of our communities, especially of our villages. In them there is a large, and we fear an increasing per cent. of their inhabitants who are becoming habitual non-attendants upon the services of the sanctuary. Largely composed, as these new villages are, of immigrants, not only from the old world, but also from different towns and states of our own country, they contain many who feel themselves absolved from restraints which obtain in older and more established communities. Thus Sabbath desecration is increasing, and many youth, removed from the sacred influences of the sanctuary and of domestic religion, are growing up without those elements of character which give promise of future usefulness.

The churches cherish an unabated interest in the Sabbath school, as peculiarly adapted to meet the special dangers and wants of the young. The instructions there presented give power to the sermon, and force to the father's counsels, and pathos to the mother's tears. They have proved strikingly efficacious in promoting revivals. Whole classes have been converted. Teachers have labored earnestly for souls, and God has followed their personal faithfulness with signal marks of his approbation.

Several institutions of learning, within our borders, have partaken richly of the divine favor, especially Amherst College, Phillips Academy at Andover, Easthampton Seminary, and the Female Seminaries at Bradford, South Hadley, Ipswich, and Norton. We rejoice in the growing interest which is felt in the education of the young, and in the fact that prayer is offered, more fervently and more specifically, year by year, for the special grace of God to rest upon our literary institutions. The Theological Seminary at Andover shares, in undiminished measure, the confidence of the churches. The students have partaken of that reviving power which has been abroad. We have occasion to thank God for the spirit

of learning and active piety and missionary zeal which prevails there.

The number of young men who enter the ministry is decreasing. It is a depressing consideration that while we are stretching our territory from sea to sea, are planting almost yearly new states which are to have the power of kingdoms, are augmenting rapidly in population and wealth, are pushing our sciences into varied mysteries of nature, and our explorations into all the hidden places of the earth—while God is opening, on every side, new fields for Christian entrance and Christian action—still the requisite number of young men is not to be found, furnished with ministerial gifts, and ready to occupy the posts of responsibility. The world bids higher for their service, both in emoluments and honors, than the church. The natural heart inclines to an easier toil. We need more of the apostolic spirit, more of the power of prayer.

The cause of Temperance in the churches is in that state of reaction and discouragement to which all great enterprises are subject. The friends of Temperance are perplexed but not in despair. Their cause is the cause of God, and their purpose is inflexible to hope on and labor on for the success of total abstinence. Religious principle is the rock on which their feet are planted, yet their conviction is firm that righteous law is an indispensable ally of moral suasion. We are much in the condition of the low-lands of Holland which sink below the ocean. Human passions and human appetites lie lower down than the floods of intoxicating drinks—it is by a natural descent that they pour upon us, and sweep away peace, and life, and soul. It becomes a necessity that we build up artificial dikes to keep out the alcoholic waves. We lay our foundation deep and strong in argument and love. Then we would place, on the upper side of this, the iron-pointed pickets of law. Looking unto God for his blessing, we humbly trust that this embankment will keep back, on the one hand, the turbid fire waters which swell and dash, and on the other the swinish herd who are determined to rush into the sea.

We are not aware of any backward steps in our communities, in those great enterprises which mark our era as the age of Missions, and which furnish to us the most hopeful signs of the approaching millennium. The universal sentiment of the churches is that the Bible must be sent abroad to heathen nations and to destitutions at home, as the only cure for idolatry and infidelity, the only source of moral reforms, the only hope for lost souls.

We cherish a sincere joy in the fellowship of those Christian Bodies with whom we are in correspondence. We thank them for their fraternal congratulations, and extend to them our warmest sympathies. Their delegates come to us with cheering tidings of the spread of truth, and the triumphs of Christian doctrine in their several fields of labor. Almost all the Congregational Associations of the country report an advance in the number of conversions, and in the main elements of spiritual prosperity. We rejoice in the return of unbroken sympathy with the New School Presbyterian Assembly, and in the blessing of God attending the labors of their ministry and churches. The Congregational Union of Canada has been greatly successful in gathering churches, and in strengthening an evangelical faith. What grandeur in the privileges and the accomplishment of the American churches if militant only against sin, and full of love to the people of Christ. We have heard of God's gracious dealings with his children beyond the Rocky Mountains. At last California and Oregon respond to Massachusetts—the placid Pacific to the stormy Bay. A bright belt of churches and schools circles the continent as the milky way the sky—some particular churches shining like Hesperus or Arcturus, some particular Associations and Synods enriched like the larger constellations, but all rejoicing to be swallowed up of Christ when he appears, as the stars hide themselves when the sun arises. The Bible and a preached Gospel, the praying family and the church assembly, the school and the college, are fixing their points of centre in the Great Valley, and sending out their parties of holy assault over all the West. No other bonds of union are so strong as these, nor bulwarks of free-

dom so firm. We can have no other possible guarantee so sure of the perpetuity of our liberties, and of a mighty Christian Republic, whose moral power, under God, shall yet conquer the world. The work of our Western brethren is truly magnificent; we pledge them our aid and our prayers.

Five of our ministerial brethren have deceased during the year.* We record with pain our loss, with gratitude their gain. They passed away in serene, Christian tranquillity, sustained by the grace they had often proclaimed, honoring in their death, and in the memories which follow them, the doctrines of Jesus.

While we recount the mercies of God, we are not unmindful of our offences against his love. We acknowledge our failure, even in times of revival, to appreciate the greatness of the blessing, and to use faithfully the means of grace. We mourn over our lack of sensibility towards the perishing heathen—our neglect of those who perish at our doors—our indifference to the swelling voices of infidelity and the rising tide of vice and crime in the land—our undue devotion to secular cares. We ask the pardon of a forgiving God. We would consecrate ourselves anew to the service of Christ.

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*Pastors of churches :—

Charles H. Norton of Becket, died Jan. 6, 1857, aged 34.

Eber L. Clarke of Washington, died Feb. 23, 1857, aged 70.

Former pastors :—

Joseph Merrill (Stated supply) of Dracut, died Nov. 21, 1856, aged 68.

Levi Packard, died Jan. 11, 1857, aged 64.

Henry Lincoln, died May 28, 1857, aged 91.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

General Association of Massachusetts, in account with E. DAVIS, *Treasurer.*

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May, 1857.	Cash for Minutes sold,	$2 20
June, "	Received of District Associations,	190 00
		$192 20

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June, 1856.	Balance due Treasurer,	$51 86
Aug. "	Paper and printing of 800 copies of Minutes for 1856,	153 65
Sept. "	Postage on 505 copies,	10 10
June, 1857.	Secretary's travelling expenses,	2 50
" "	Statistical Secretary's "	5 60
" "	Expense of perfecting Statistics of 1856,	2 16
" "	Expense of collecting Statistics of 1857,	8 60
		$234 47

I have examined the above account, and find it correct, and that there is a deficiency in the Treasury of $42 27. A tax of *Fifty cents* upon each member of the local Associations is recommended for the ensuing year.

N. GALE, *Committee on Accounts.*

NOTICE.—Delegates to the General Association are requested and expected to furnish the Treasurer, at the time they pay their tax, a list of the names of the members of their Association entitled to the Minutes.

E. DAVIS, *Treasurer.*

RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

I. Doctrinal Basis.—The Associations by which the General Association of Massachusetts was originally organized, agreed to admit, and this Association continues to admit, as articles of faith, the doctrines of Christianity, as they are generally expressed in the Assembly's Shorter Catechism; and the above-mentioned doctrines, understood by us to be distinctly those, which from the beginning, have been embraced by the churches of New England as the doctrines of the Gospel, are considered as the basis of our union.

II. Denominational Basis and Object.—This General Association is founded on the principles of Congregationalism, and wholly disclaims ecclesiastical jurisdiction over the churches, or the opinions of individuals. Its object is to promote brotherly harmony and intercourse among the ministers of Christ;—to obtain religious information relative to the state of their churches, and of the Christian church in this country, and throughout the world;—and to coöperate with one another, and with other ecclesiastical bodies, in the most eligible measures for advancing the cause of truth and holiness.

III. Members.—1. Each District Association in Massachusetts, consenting to the principles of this Union, as stated in the first article, may appoint two delegates annually, to compose this General Association: and it is recommended, that one be appointed who attended the preceding year.

2. The Secretary, the Statistical Secretary, and the minister of the church where the Association meet, shall have seats, and act as members; the Associations to which they belong retaining the right to elect their number of Delegates in addition.

3. The principle of the connection formed with the Massachusetts Missionary Society is, that said Society may annually appoint two delegates to this body, who shall be admitted to equal privileges with the members from the District Associations.

4. Gentlemen, who are admitted as honorary members, shall be allowed full liberty to take part in all deliberations, though they are not considered

as entitled to vote; and it is expected they will give notice to the body, if they find it necessary to withdraw previous to the close of the session. The approbation of the Committee of Arrangements shall be obtained, before a gentleman shall be proposed to sit as an honorary member.

5. The Delegates, who the preceding year attended the meetings of foreign bodies, shall, *ex officio*, have seats as honorary members.

IV. Meeting.—1. The several Associations shall have the offer of receiving, in rotation, the annual meeting of the General Association.

2. The time of the annual meeting of this Association, shall be on the fourth Tuesday of June, at four o'clock, P. M., at such place as shall have been duly notified.

V. Quorum.—Twenty members, delegated from the particular Associations of Massachusetts, shall be requisite to form a quorum.

VI. Organization.—1. The minister of the church in the place place where the Association meets, or the Secretary, may call the Association to order, and preside in the meeting until the Association shall be properly organized.

2. The certificates of the Delegates present shall be read by the Secretary, or by a temporary Scribe; and the Association shall then be organized by the choice of a Moderator, a Scribe, and, if necessary, an assistant Scribe, by ballot. The Rules of the Association shall also be read, and the Moderator shall open the business with prayer.

VII. Special Order.—1. At the opening of the session on the morning of each subsequent day, the Moderator shall take the chair at the hour to which the Association stands adjourned; shall immediately call the members to order; direct the roll to be called; shall open the meeting with prayer, and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read; and the session of each day shall be closed with prayer.

2. The Committees for the session shall be appointed upon Tuesday.

3. An annual sermon shall be preached before the Association on Tuesday evening, on the subject of Home Missions, and a collection taken. The preacher shall be appointed by this body.

4. Wednesday, A. M. and P. M., shall be appropriated to the following objects:—not exceeding half an hour to necessary business; hearing reports of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies; receiving salutations of Delegates from Corresponding Bodies; hearing the narratives from the Delegates of the several Associations concerning the state of religion and the churches, which shall be presented in writing, with a view to obtain an accurate account of the principal facts, not however to prevent any more particular details which the Delegates may think expedient to add, or the Association to request,—no report of the state of religion being read in public, unless it be approved by the Association from which it comes, or by the Committee of Arrangements of the General Association,—no re-

port being allowed to exceed four minutes, and the Moderator being instructed to enforce this rule; the discussion of theological and practical questions connected with the ministerial profession, and in accordance with a schedule prepared by a special Committee and printed with the notices. Wednesday evening shall be occupied by religious services having special reference to the people of the place of meeting.

5. The Associational Sermon, the preacher of which shall be appointed by each Association in turn, shall be delivered at two o'clock, Thursday, P. M., after which the Lord's Supper shall be administered.

6. Previously to the close of each meeting, the General Association shall specify a place for meeting the next year, and request some District Association to appoint a preacher to deliver the Associational Sermon. And the church of the place of meeting is desired to make preparations to celebrate the Lord's Supper during the session.

7. Each annual meeting shall be closed with a psalm or hymn, and prayer by the Moderator, or such other member as he shall appoint.

VIII. Permanent Officers.—1. The Secretary shall be chosen for three years, from the close of the meeting at which the choice shall be made. He shall, *ex officio*, be the Treasurer of the General Association, and shall be authorized to pay such expenses as are allowed by the Association, and shall be allowed his own travelling expenses in attending the meetings of this Association. He shall receive the publications from foreign bodies, and distribute them among the several Associations, in proportion to the tax paid by them respectively. One copy of each publication, received by the General Association, or printed by its order, shall be kept in the archives.

2. A Statistical Secretary shall be chosen for three years from the first of September following his appointment. He shall procure the Statistics of the Churches through the Scribes or other statistical officers of the District Associations; complete and arrange them for publication, and present them in that form and properly combined into a summary, at the same time with the reports of the District Associations at each session. He shall superintend their printing; shall be a member, *ex officio*, of this body and of the Publishing Committee, and shall be allowed his travelling expenses in attending the meetings of the Association.

IX. Committees.—1. At each meeting of the Association, a Committee of Arrangements, consisting of three, shall be appointed by nomination, to prepare the business of the session; and no business shall be introduced during the session, but through the hands, and with the approbation of the Committee. But if said Committee decline presenting any item of business proposed by any member, he shall have the privilege of appeal to the Association.

2. A Committee shall be appointed annually, to audit the accounts, who shall report the state of the treasury, and the sum in their opinion

necessary to be paid the next year by the members of the several Associations connected with this body.

3. A Committee shall be appointed to receive the narratives and statements, and shall condense them into one narrative, to be submitted to the General Association and published. The written narratives shall be deposited with the Secretary.

4. A Committee shall be appointed to nominate Delegates to Corresponding bodies.

5. A Committee of three shall be annually appointed, to submit to the General Association at the next meeting, a *Pastoral Address*, to excite the attention of ministers and Christians to faithful discipline in the churches, the instruction of the rising generation, the sanctification of the Sabbath, and other subjects relating to the general interests of religion. The address being approved by the General Association, shall be signed by the Moderator, and printed with the minutes. This Committee shall be chosen from the several Associations in rotation.

6. A Publishing Committee shall be annually appointed, to make such extracts from the minutes of the meeting, as in their judgment it will be proper to publish; procure to be printed such number of copies, with the Pastoral Address, Narrative of the State of Religion, and Statistics of the churches, as will give one copy to each minister of the Associations represented in this body; and such a number of copies for other bodies connected with this Association, as shall be mutually agreed upon, and shall transmit them under the direction of the Secretary.

X. Correspondence.—1. Our principles of fraternal intercourse with all ecclesiastical bodies in correspondence with us are, that this Association, and each body so connected with it, shall annually appoint Delegates to the other, which shall be admitted to the privilege of sitting, and deliberating upon all matters which may come under consideration.

2. The delegates shall, as far as practicable, be selected from the District Associations in rotation. The brethren chosen substitutes in the delegations to the bodies in our connection, shall, at our next session, be considered as Delegates to the respective bodies, if they shall not previously have taken their seats there, through the failure of their principals.

3. The printed Minutes of the Association, shall be sufficient testimonials of the appointment of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies.

4. It shall be the duty of those Delegates who attend the meetings of Corresponding Bodies, whether they be Primaries or Substitutes, to certify the Secretary in writing, on or before the opening of the annual meeting next after his appointment.

XI. Assessments.—It shall be the duty of the Delegates of the District Associations, to pay the amount of the assessments due from their respective Associations for the past year, whether collected or not.

XII. Statistics.—1. The Statistical returns, with respect to the number in the churches, etc., shall be made out according to a printed schedule of this body, and according to the numbers on the first of January past.

2. The names of all the members of the Associations belonging to this body, whether with or without charge, shall be inserted in the published returns, and corrected up to the date of publication.

3. Each District Association connected with this body, is requested to appoint a Statistical Scribe, to collect the statistics of the churches within its bounds, in methods designated by this body, and under the direction of the Statistical Secretary of the General Association.

XIII. Rules of Order.—1. Every motion, on being seconded, shall, if requested by the Moderator, or any two members, be reduced to writing, and no motion shall be open to discussion, until it be seconded.

2. The Moderator may speak to points of order, in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house by any two members. But he may not speak to the merits of the question without leaving the chair, and placing some other member in it, to preside while he speaks.

3. On questions of order, adjournment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question, no member shall speak more than once. Nor on any question shall a member speak more than twice, without leave of the Association.

4. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question; viz. Shall the main question be now put? The effect of adopting the previous question shall be to put an end to debate, and to bring the Association to a direct vote upon amendments reported by a Committee if any, upon pending amendments, and then upon the main question.

5. If a question under debate contain several parts, any member may have it divided, and a question taken on each part.

6. Every member, when speaking, shall address himself to the chair; and shall be subject to no needless interruption; if he act disorderly, it shall be the duty of the Moderator, and the privilege of other members to call him to order.

7. No member shall leave the Association before the session is closed, except with the consent of the body; nor shall any one leave the house during a sitting, without the consent of the Moderator.

XIV. Amendments.—A *Vote* or *Resolve* to establish, alter, or annul a *standing rule* of this body, shall be read twice on different days, and may be debated at each reading. At the first reading the question shall be, Shall it be read the second time?

PLACE OF MEETING.

The order in which the several Associations have the offer of receiving the Annual Meeting of the General Association; Norfolk having the session of 1858.

Suffolk North,
Suffolk South,
Vineyard Sound,
Bridgewater,
Salem,
Berkshire South,
Mendon,
Andover,
Brewster,
Taunton,
Hampshire,
Essex South,
Hampshire East,
Norfolk,
Berkshire North,
Middlesex South,
Brookfield,
Old Colony,
Pilgrim,
Hampden East,
Essex North,
Hampden West,
Franklin,
Harmony,
Woburn,
Worcester North,
Middlesex Union,
Worcester Central.

SELECTION OF PREACHER.

The order in which the several Associations shall appoint one of their number to preach the Associational Sermon; Hampden West appointing the preacher of 1858.

Worcester Central,
Suffolk North,
Suffolk South,
Bridgewater,
Salem,
Berkshire North,
Vineyard Sound,
Essex South,
Franklin,
Harmony,
Mendon,
Hampden East,
Brookfield,
Hampden West,
Middlesex South,
Norfolk,
Hampshire,
Hampshire East,
Worcester North,
Old Colony,
Pilgrim,
Taunton,
Middlesex Union,
Woburn,
Essex North,
Brewster,
Andover,
Berkshire South.

APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES.

At the meeting in 1858, one Substitute Delegate from each District Association will be appointed to the Body whose name stands in the opposite column. It is the privilege of each Association to nominate a person, who will, regularly, become Primary the succeeding year.

Andover and Mendon,	New York.
Berkshire North and Middlesex South,	Rhode Island.
Berkshire South and Middlesex Union,	Vermont.
Brewster and Norfolk,	Wisconsin.
Bridgewater and Old Colony,	Kansas, and Minnesota.
Brookfield and Pilgrim,	Gen. Assembly, (N. S.)
Essex North and Salem,	Connecticut, and Oregon.
Essex South and Suffolk North,	California, and Ohio.
Franklin and Suffolk South,	England and Canada.,
Hampden East and Taunton,	Illinois.
Hampden West and Vineyard Sound,	Iowa.
Hampshire and Woburn,	Maine.
Hampshire East and Worcester Central,	Michigan.
Harmony and Worcester North,	New Hampshire.

OFFICERS OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

Rev. Emerson Davis, D. D., Westfield, *Secretary.*
Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, Jamaica Plain, *Statistical Secretary.*

EXPLANATIONS.—1. Associations are arranged in alphabetical order; towns, alphabetically in each Association; churches in each town, according to age; and of each church, (1) its town, (2) its locality in the town, (3) its name.

2 The columns specifying churches and ministers are corrected up to July 1, 1857; church members are reported for Jan. 1st preceding; admissions, removals, and baptisms cover the year 1856; "Sabbath School" includes total membership of teachers and scholars.

3. Churches organized since Dec. 31, 1856, are reported with their *original* membership, but are not included in the summary.

4. "Without pastoral charge" includes only members of District Associations. All *Post-office addresses* are to be found in the Index.

5. In *no* instance is any number appearing in these Statistics supplied from the returns of previous years; blanks signify ignorance or carelessness.—See also "Remarks." A. H. Q.

1. ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.			Baptisms		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Andover, South ch.	Oct. 17, 1711	George Moore,	Oct. 10, 1855	93	258	351	95	12	13	25	3	9	0	12	4	9	208
" Theol. Sem	Aug 20, 1816	Faculty of Seminary,		340	52	392	319	2	21	23	*	7	0	7	0	0	41
" West ch.	Dec. 5, 1826	James H. Merrill,	April 30, 1856	67	150	217	49	6	7	13	4	4	0	8	3	7	200
" Free ch.	May 7, 1846	Caleb E. Fisher,	June 1, 1855	37	81	118	20	1	3	4	2	6	0	8	0	4	220
Ballardvale, Union ch.	Dec. 31, 1854	Henry S. Greene,	April 1, 1855	11	39	50	5	2	7	9	1	1	0	2	1	8	150
Chelmsford,	April 27, 1824	Benjamin F. Clark,	Aug. 1, 1839	30	52	82	16	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	85
Dracut, 1st ch.		William Allen,	Stated supply.	25	51	76	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45
" West ch.	1797	Vacant,		23	67	90	18	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	70
" Central ch.	July 25, 1847	Vacant,		9	19	28	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	30
Dunstable,	May 12, 1757	Darwin Adams,	Sept. 5, 1850	29	64	93	10	0	4	4	2	1	0	3	0	0	100
Lawrence, 1st ch.	April 9, 1847	G B. Willcox,	Sept. 24, 1856	78	142	220	69	5	13	18	1	8	3	12	0	0	172
" Central ch	Dec. 25, 1849	Vacant,		67	185	252	20	8	12	20	1	7	0	8	5	15	200
Lowell, 1st ch.	June 6, 1826	Jonathan L. Jenkins,	Oct. 17, 1855	63	229	292	65	40	5	45	3	25	0	28	24	0	384
" Appleton-st. c.	Dec. 2, 1831	J. P. Cleaveland, D D.	Oct. 2, 1855	80	350	430	140	9	11	20	1	10	1	12	5	3	300
" John-st. ch.	May 9, 1839	Eden B. Foster,	Feb. 3, 1853	127	391	518	130	20	10	30	3	7	0	10	13	5	437
" Kirk-st. ch.	May 21, 1845	A. Blanchard, D. D.	May 21, 1845	60	183	243	73	6	12	18	2	20	0	22	4	3	280
" High-st. ch.	Jan. 22, 1846	Vacant,		43	80	123	19	2	6	8	0	10	0	10	1	6	150
Methuen,	Oct. 29, 1729	John C. Phillips,	Dec. 25, 1839	69	151	220	58	0	4	4	4	10	0	14	0	1	100
North Andover,	Sept. 3, 1834	Vacant,		11	57	68	18	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	134
Tewksbury,	Nov. 29, 1734	Richard Tolman,	Aug. 25, 1852	64	97	161	19	1	0	1	3	0	0	3	0	5	130
Total, 20		13 Pastors, 1 S. S.		1326	2698	4024	1156	114	128	242	33	131	4	168	60	66	3436

Without Pastoral Charge.—Samuel C. Jackson, D. D., Assistant Sec. Mass. Board of Education; John L. Taylor, Treasurer Trustees of Phillips Academy; Prof. E P. Barrows, David Oliphant, Andover; S. W. Hanks, Sec. Am. Seamen's Friend Society, Lowell; Isaac Hosford, Chaplain of Insane Asylum, Worcester; M. Badger, D. D, Sec Am. H. M. Society, New York; Orpheus T. Lamphear.—8.

*Impossible to tell.

AMOS BLANCHARD, D. D, Lowell, Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

2. BERKSHIRE NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad	Inf.	School.
Adams, North,	April 19, 1827	*Albert Paine,	Dec. 3, 1856	37	115	152	41	0	1	1	0	6	0	6	0	3	110
" South,	Jan. 1, 1840	J. Jay Dana,	June 15, 1848	22	65	87	30	0	2	2	0	7	0	7	0	0	110
Becket, North,	Sept. 25, 1849	Vacant,		40	49	89	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	75
Dalton,	Feb. 16, 1785	T. A. Hazen,	Oct. 11, 1854	38	78	116	20	1	3	4	5	2	1	8	0	7	50
Hinsdale,	Dec 17, 1795	Vacant,		95	115	210	20	0	0	0	14	3	0	17	0	3	100
Lanesboro',	March 28, 1764	*George T. Dole,	Stated supply.	15	30	45	8	0	0	0	8	0	0	8	0	1	40
Peru,	June, 1770	Moses M Longley,	Sept. 19, 1855	61	75	136	27	13	3	16	4	0	0	4	9	1	110
Pittsfield, 1st,	Feb. 7, 1764	John Todd, D. D.	Feb. 16, 1842			635	320	11	12	23	4	7	0	11	3	14	313
" 2d (colored,)	Feb. 20, 1846	Samuel Harrison,	Aug. 13, 1850	10	26	36	7	7	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	8	35
" South,	Nov. 12, 1850	*Charles B. Boynton,	June 1856	64	137	201	12	7	6	13	7	6	0	13			170
Richmond,	1765	C. S. Renshaw,	Nov. 16, 1853	27	60	87	9	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	70
Washington,	1772	Vacant,		6	9	15	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Williamstown, 1st,	1765	A. Peters, D. D.	Nov. 10, 1841			312	51	0	5	5	4	2	0	6	0	2	125
" 2d,	1836	†I. N Lincoln,	Stated supply	11	18	29	3	0	2	2	0	3	0	3	0	0	70
" College ch.	June 15, 1834	Mark Hopkins, D. D.	Sept. 15, 1836	77	0	77	55	4	7	11	0	14	0	14	1	0	0
Windsor,		T C. Perry,	Stated supply.	25	34	59	8	0	2	2	3	0	0	3	0	1	80
Total. 16		10 Pastors, 2 S. S.		528	811	2286	644	43	44	87	49	50	1	100	13	45	1488

Without Pastoral Charge.—Heman Humphrey, D. D., Pittsfield; W. H. Tyler, Elizabethtown, N. J.; R. S. Cook, New York; John Tatlock, N. H. Griffin, †I. N. Lincoln, Professors in Williams College; Calvin Durfee, Financial Agent of Williams College; Charles Peabody.—Also, Dwight W. Marsh, Missionary in Turkey; Marshall D. Sanders, Missionary in Ceylon; H. A. Wilder, Missionary in South Africa.—11.

*Not members.

Moses M. Longley, Peru, Scribe; J. Jay Dana, Adams, Statistical Scribe.

3. BERKSHIRE SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Alford,	Aug. 13, 1846	Vacant,		8	20	28	7	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Becket, 1st ch.	Dec. 28, 1758	Vacant,		25	62	87	16	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	70
Egremont,	Nov. 22, 1816	James B. Cleaveland,	July 12, 1855	35	81	116	18	13	2	15	6	2	0	8	2	6	137
Great Barrington,	Dec. 28, 1743	Vacant,		64	177	241	36	14	7	21	4	7	0	11	5	2	137
" Housatonic,	June 18, 1841	Edward J. Giddings,	Stated supply.	35	68	103	62	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	48
Lee,	May 25, 1780	Nahum Gale,	Sept. 1, 1853	124	233	357	61	17	11	28	6	8	0	14	8	5	225
Lenox,	1769	Edmund K. Alden,	Nov. 15, 1854	67	160	227	25	3	1	4	3	7	0	10	2	12	180
Monterey,	Sept. 25, 1750	Winthrop H. Phelps,	Dec. 27, 1854	33	69	102	17	3	2	5	3	9	0	12	0	2	100
New Marlboro', 1st ch.	Oct. 31, 1744	Richard T. Searle,	Sept. 28, 1852	36	76	112	30	0	0	0	5	7	0	12	0	1	125
" Southfield	April 25, 1794	Otis Lombard,	June 14, 1849	19	41	60	14	3	0	3	4	0	0	4	2	1	75
Otis,	Sept. 14, 1795	Thomas A. Hall,	Stated supply.	24	55	79	15	0	3	3	1	1	0	2	0	2	101
Sandisfield,	Feb. 24, 1756	Aaron Pickett,	Jan. 23, 1851	59	144	203	51	18	2	20	3	6	0	9	9	2	145
Sheffield,	Oct. 22, 1735	George E. Hill,	May 17, 1855	29	132	161	40	15	7	22	2	12	0	14	9	6	207
Stockbridge,	1734	Alfred H. Dashiell, Jr.	Dec 11, 1850	85	145	230	39	4	3	7	8	8	0	16	0	9	160
" Curtisville,	Dec. 22, 1824	George Uhler,	Stated supply.	34	64	98	47	1	0	1	0	6	0	6	1	1	62
W. Stockbridge, Cen.	June 4, 1789	Lewis Pennell,	Dec 6, 1854	30	55	85	12	2	2	4	1	1	0	2	2	1	50
" Village,	Dec. 25, 1833	Daniel D. Frost,	March 25, 1857	39	57	96	50	1	2	3	1	8	0	9	0	1	50
*Austerlitz, N. Y.	March 21, 1792	Vacant,		12	20	32	9	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	30
Total, 17		11 Pastors, 3 S. S.		746	1639	2385	550	96	44	140	48	83	0	131	40	52	1828

Without Pastoral Charge.—David D. Field, D. D., Stockbridge; James Bradford, Sheffield; Rufus Pomeroy, Otis; S. S. N Greeley, Grand Rapids, Michigan; Elias Clark, Mankato, Blue Earth Co., Minnesota Territory; Samuel Utley, Superintendent of Orphan Asylum, Hudson, N. Y.; John C. Brigham, D. D., Sec. Am. Bible Soc., New York city.—7. Also, Zolva Whitmore, Chester.

*Not included in summary.

ALFRED H. DASHIELL, Jr., Stockbridge, Recording Scribe; OTIS LOMBARD, Southfield, Statistical Scribe.

4. BREWSTER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Chatham,	June 15, 1720	Noadiah S. Dickinson,	Dec. 29, 1852	37	111	148	8	3	0	3	7	1	0	8	1	8	175
Dennis, South,	Jan. 16, 1817	W. H. Sturtevant,	Dec. 10, 1856	29	55	84	6	2	0	2	2	1	0	3	1	0	150
Eastham,	1646	Ebenezer Chase,	April 29, 1853	15	37	52	2	0	5	5	3	0	0	3	0	0	35
Harwich,	Nov. 6, 1747	Moses H. Wilder,	Oct. 1, 1851	17	63	80	20	4	0	4	3	3	3	9	2	3	100
" Port, Pilgrim ch.	April 3, 1855	Charles Morgridge,	Stated supply.	13	15	28	0	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	2	0	84
Hyannis,	Jan. 3, 1854	Vacant,		6	17	23	5	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	62
Orleans,	1719	Jacob White,	June 1, 1841	33	100	133	5	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	0	200
Provincetown,	1714	Osborne Myrick,	Feb. 18, 1846	9	35	44	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	70
Sandwich, Puritan ch.	March 21, 1847	Vacant,		16	37	53	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Truro,	Nov. 1, 1711	Edward W. Noble,	Dec. 26, 1849	38	74	112	8	18	0	18	1	0	0	1	3	1	125
" North,	May 22, 1842	Job Cushman,	Stated supply.	5	20	25	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	60
Wellfleet, 1st ch.	1730	*Samuel Hopley,	March 12, 1857	73	126	199	21	0	0	0	8	0	0	8	0	0	150
" South,	Dec. 4, 1833	†Joseph H. Patrick,	Stated supply.	45	73	118	20	0	0	0	1	0	11	12	0	0	75
Yarmouth,	1639	Abel K. Packard,	Dec. 16, 1851	31	81	112	14	1	0	1	3	0	0	3	0	8	164
" West,	Sept. 30, 1840	Martin S. Howard,	Nov. 20, 1856	7	33	40	1	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0	50
Total, 15		10 Pastors, 3 S S.		374	877	1251	121	34	6	40	35	7	14	56	9	24	1500

Without Pastoral Charge.—E. Pratt, Brewster; Cyrus Stone, Boston; John H. Wells, Kingston, R. I.; Nathaniel Cogswell, Carver.—Also, John U. Parsons, Ogden, Kansas Ter.; William A. McCollom, Manhatten, Kansas Ter.—6. Also George Denham, Barre.

* Not a member of the Association. †Member of Hampshire East Association.

Abel K. Packard, Yarmouth, Scribe.

5. BRIDGEWATER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Bridgewater,—																	
Trin. ch.	Oct. 17, 1821	David Brigham,	April 23, 1844	30	60	90	23	2	0	2	2	1	0	3	1	1	130
" Scotland ch.	July 4, 1836	Vacant,		7	23	30	7	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	60
E. Bridgewater,—																	
Trin. ch.	Nov. 14, 1849	Baalis Sanford,	April 3, 1850	22	26	48	1	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	2	1	86
Dighton,	1710	Enoch Sanford,	May 18, 1856	17	31	48	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	85
Lakeville,	Oct. 6, 1725	Calvin Chapman,	Oct. 22, 1851	48	77	125	21	0	0	0	2	4	0	6	0	1	60
Middleboro', 1st ch.	Dec. 26, 1694	I. W. Putnam, D. D.	Oct. 28, 1835	48	114	162	31	0	0	0	5	1	0	6	0	3	120
" North, 1st ch.	Feb. 4, 1743	Charles Packard,	Oct. 17, 1855	27	71	98	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	2	100
Total, 7		6 Pastors.		199	402	601	91	6	0	6	14	6	0	20	3	8	641

Without Pastoral Charge.—Otis Thompson, Abington; Ebenezer Gay, Stetson Raymond, Bridgewater—3.

Calvin Chapman, Lakeville, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

6. BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Brimfield,	Nov. 18, 1724	Jason Morse,	Dec. 12, 1849	58	130	188	24	1	4	5	3	0	0	3	0	5	258
Brookfield,	April 15, 1756	Jesse K. Bragg,	Sept. 14, 1852	33	80	113	32	0	2	2	4	5	0	9	0	0	100
Charlton,	April 16, 1761	John Haven,	April, 1850	20	70	90	14	2	1	3	3	1	1	5	1	1	125
Dana, Centre,	Sept. 28, 1852	John Keep,	Nov. 15, 1853	10	21	31	2	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	70
Dudley,	1732	*Henry Pratt,	Oct. 25, 1854	43	101	144	8	5	8	13	3	3	0	6	4	4	125
Hardwick,	Nov. 17, 1736	Martyn Tupper,	June 23, 1852	23	55	78	23	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	4	155
Holland,	Sept. 12, 1765	Francis Wood,	Stated supply	12	27	39	5	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	69
New Braintree,	1754	J. H. Gurney,	April 23, 1856	19	67	86	10	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	0	90
North Brookfield, 1st,	May 28, 1752	{ Thomas Snell, D. D { Christop'r Cushing,	June 27, 1798 Sept. 17, 1851	91	188	279	14	8	10	18	5	2	0	7	6	6	375
" Union,	June 6, 1854	Wm. H Beecher,	June 3, 1857	29	56	85	11	2	1	3	2	4	0	6	2	0	240
Oakham,	June 23, 1773	James Kimball,	Dec. 25, 1832	90	168	258	40	39	3	42	3	1	1	5	17	0	250
Southbridge,	Sept. 16, 1801	Eber Carpenter,	Dec. 1, 1835	49	127	176	63	0	0	0	3	23	0	26	0	1	170
Spencer,	May 17, 1744	S. G. Dodd,	Aug. 23, 1854	35	75	110	3	4	2	6	0	1	0	1	4	1	200
Sturbridge,	1736	S. G. Clapp,	March 26, 1856	72	152	224	44	2	4	6	3	6	0	9	0	2	150
Ware,	May 9, 1751	Vacant,		46	89	135	27	8	0	8	4	2	0	6	2	5	130
" Village,	April 12, 1826	A. E. P. Perkins,	Dec. 5, 1855	79	162	241	41	1	8	9	1	12	0	13	1	15	200
Warren,	Probably 1742	S. S. Smith,	April 13, 1854	47	105	152	19	0	3	3	2	9	0	11	0	0	200
West Brookfield,	Oct. 1717	Swift Byington,	Nov. 17, 1852	100	150	250	50	4	4	8	5	7	0	12	2	12	150
Total, 18		17 Pastors, 1 S. S.		856	1823	2679	430	77	54	131	46	82	2	130	39	57	3057

Without Pastoral Charge.—None.

*Not a member.

JOHN HAVEN, Charlton, Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

7. ESSEX NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Amesbury, West,	May 19, 1726	Leander Thompson,	Sept. 20, 1854	70	143	213	34	3	0	3	2	2	0	4	2	1	170
" Mills,	Dec. 6, 1831	Alexander C. Childs,	Nov. 19, 1856	49	146	195	62	3	1	4	7	2	1	10	0	1	143
" and Salisbury,	Oct. 14, 1835	Vacant,		15	50	65	12	0	0	0	1	5	0	6	0	0	75
Boxford, West,	Dec. 9, 1736	Calvin E. Park,	Oct. 14, 1846	28	47	75	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	70
Bradford,	Nov. 21, 1652	James T. McCollom,	Jan. 25, 1854	69	125	194	12	2	1	3	4	0	0	4	1	1	230
Georgetown,	Oct. 4, 1732	{ Isaac Braman,	June 7, 1799														
		{ John M. Prince,	Feb. 3, 1847	50	110	160	15	12	2	14	5	2	0	7	3	3	260
		{ G. B. Perry, D. D.	Sept. 28, 1814														
Groveland,	June 27, 1727	{ Thomas Daggett,	March 4, 1857	45	94	139	6	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0	120
Haverhill, West,	Oct. 1735	Asa Farwell,	April 21, 1853	38	58	96	12	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	0	1	145
" East,	1743	Wales Lewis,	July 18, 1849	10	22	32	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1	45
" Centre,	Aug. 28, 1823	Benj. F. Hosford,	May 21, 1845	67	137	204	21	0	8	8	4	0	0	4	0	0	130
" Winter-st. ch	May 13, 1839	Leonard S. Parker,	June 1, 1853	42	54	96	9	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	180
*Ipswich, 1st ch.	1634	{ David T. Kimball,	Oct. 8, 1806														
		{ Robert Southgate,															
" Linebrook,	Nov. 15, 1849	J. W. Healey,	Stated supply	26	27	53	11	1	1	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	55
Newbury, 1st ch.	June 16, 1635	L. Withington, D. D.	Oct 31, 1816	32	120	152	21	0	2	2	2	1	1	4	0	8	115
" Byfield ch.	Nov. 17, 1706	Vacant,		44	83	127	26	5	6	11	3	1	0	4	1	26	132
Newburyp't, North ch.	Jan. 18, 1768	L. F. Dimmick, D. D	Dec. 8, 1819	59	280	339	3	15	3	18	9	1	0	10	5	3	160
" 4th ch.	May 30, 1793	Randolph Campbell,	Oct. 12, 1837	68	148	216		0	2	2	2	3	0	5	0	8	170
" Belleville,	April, 1808	Daniel T. Fiske,	Aug. 18, 1847	53	108	161	13	1	0	1	3	8	0	11	1	2	170
" Whitefield ch.	Jan. 1, 1850	Samuel J. Spalding,	June 30, 1851	31	114	145	22	10	6	16	1	2	0	3	6	6	226
Rowley,	Dec 3, 1639	John Pike,	Nov. 18, 1840	40	106	146	3	3	0	3	2	0	0	2	3	5	100
Salisbury, Hill,	Nov. 19, 1718	Benjamin Sawyer,	Stated supply.	5	17	22	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0
W. Newbury, 1st ch.	Oct. 26, 1698	Charles D. Herbert,	March 5, 1857	16	30	46	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	141
" 2d ch.	Sept. 1, 1731	Davis Foster,	Nov. 1, 1855	44	110	154	12	12	5	17	1	0	0	1	3	0	150
Total, 22		21 Pastors, 2 S. S.		901	2129	3030	305	67	41	108	56	31	2	89	26	69	2987

Without Pastoral Charge.—John P. Cowles, Principal of Young Ladies Sem., Ipswich; Willard Holbrook, Rowley: Nathan Munroe, Sec. Am S S. Union for New England, Bradford: W. G. T. Shedd, Brown Professor in Andover Theological Seminary; J. Q. A. Edgell, Agent for Western Colleges, Andover; Francis V. Tenney, Byfield, Newbury; Henry A. Woodman, Newburport.—7. A. R. Timlow, Pastor of 2d Presbyterian Church, Newburyport, is also a member.

* Included in Essex South, of which Mr. Southgate is a member.

DAVID T. KIMBALL, Ipswich, Scribe; SAMUEL J. SPALDING, Newburyport, Statistical Scribe.

8. ESSEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Beverly, Washington-street ch.	Feb. 8, 1837	Alonzo B. Rich,	Dec. 8, 1852	30	93	123	6	3	4	7	8	0	0	8	2	0	176
Danvers, Maple-st. ch.	Dec. 5, 1814	James Fletcher,	June 20, 1849	26	57	83	3	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	4	289
Essex,	Aug. 12, 1683	James M Bacon,	July 9, 1856	50	91	141	6	0	3	3	7	2	0	9	0	0	145
Gloucester, West,	March 23, 1829	Levi Wheaton,	Jan. 23, 1850	10	24	34	2	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	130
" Harbor,	Nov. 17, 1829	Vacant,		19	90	109	14	0	0	0	1	3	23	27	0	4	110
" Lanesville,	Aug. 25, 1830	Vacant,		14	29	43	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150
Hamilton,	Oct. 12, 1714	John H. Mordough,	June 12, 1850	47	103	150	20	0	3	3	3	2	0	5	0	5	130
Ipswich, 1st ch.	1634	†David T. Kimball, / Robert Southgate,	Oct. 3, 1806 / July 24, 1851	48	157	205	20	2	2	4	2	1	1	4	2	0	181
" South ch.	Aug. 22, 1747	Daniel Fitz,	June 28, 1826	45	146	191	23	2	0	2	3	1	0	4	0	2	150
Lynnfield Centre,	Aug. 17, 1720	Edwin R. Hodgman,	Jan. 9, 1856	15	41	56	14	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	81
Manchester,	Nov. 7, 1716	Rufus Taylor,	May 6, 1852	75	178	253	17	30	0	30	7	1	0	8	15	1	275
Middleton,	Oct. 22, 1729	Amos H. Johnson,	Jan. 1, 1857	43	114	157	42	0	0	0	2	0	1	3	0	0	100
Rockport, 1st ch.	Feb. 13, 1755	Wakefield Gale,	May 4, 1836	115	177	292	19	1	1	2	10	6	0	16	0	2	300
" 2d ch.	March 15, 1855	David Bremner,	May 2, 1855	15	15	30	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	97
Salem, 3d ch.	April, 1735	B. Emerson, D. D. / Israel E Dwinell,	April 24, 1805 / Nov. 22, 1849	77	248	325	50	12	0	12	13	7	0	20	7	2	425
" Howard-st. ch	Dec. 29, 1803	Vacant,		18	78	96	19	2	2	4	1	2	12‡	15	0	13	150
" Crombie-st. ch	May 3, 1832	James M. Hoppin,	March 27, 1850	51	187	238	21	3	5	8	3	4	3	10	1	5	200
South Danvers, 1st ch	Sept. 23, 1713	James O. Murray,	Oct. 26, 1854	62	163	225	12	5	3	8	4	2	3	9	1	0	372
*South Reading,	Nov. 5, 1645	Reuben Emerson,	Oct. 17, 1804														
Total, 18		17 Pastors.		760	1991	2751	293	60	30	90	65	33	43	141	28	41	3411

Without Pastoral Charge.—E. W. Allen, Salem; Edwin Seabury, Vermont.

*Reported in Woburn Association. †A member of Essex North Association. ‡Of these, 8 were "dropped."

Ephraim W. Allen, Salem, Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled	Chh. Mem. Jan 1, 1857				Admitted 1856			Removed 1856.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot	Dth	Dis	Exc.	Tot	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Ashfield, 1st,	Feb. 22, 1763	Willard Brigham,	March 12, 1856	40	87	127	14	7	1	8	2	3	0	5	5	9	135
" 2d,	June 13, 1855	Edward Clarke,	June 24, 1856	21	29	50	3	2	3	5	1	0	0	1	0	3	70
Bernardston,	Jan. 13, 1824	Harrison G. Park,	Aug. 12. 1856	20	38	58	10	0	2	2	2	2	0	4	0	1	57
Buckland,	Oct. 1785	Asa B. Smith,	March 22, 1848	66	116	182	15	22	4	26	3	3	1	7	11	3	150
Charlemont, 1st ch.	June 6, 1788	Matthew Kingman,	June, 6, 1854	31	54	85	14	0	0	0	2	9	0	11	0	2	100
" East,	Aug. 6, 1845	Aaron Foster,	Feb. 13, 1850	24	53	77	19	5	1	6	0	6	0	6	2	0	128
Coleraine,	1750	Vacant,		13	38	51	7	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	75
Conway,	July 14, 1768	George M. Adams,	Sept. 18, 1851	103	212	315	35	13	5	18	10	14	1	25	11	6	300
Deerfield, South, 1st c.	June 30, 1818	Perkins K. Clark,	Stated supply.	27	61	88	10	5	8	13	2	2	0	4	2	3	133
" Orthodox ch.	June 2, 1835	Vacant,		23	48	71	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	60
" Monument ch	Jan. 25, 1848	David A. Strong,	March 21, 1849	30	53	83	6	5	4	9	0	3	0	3	3	2	100
Erving, Ev. Cong. ch.	Sept. 19, 1832	*Eli Moody,	Stated supply	14	19	33	10	3	6	9	0	5	0	5	3	0	85
Gill,	1793	*A. B. Foster,	Stated supply	9	42	51	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70
Greenfield, 1st ch.	March 28, 1754	A. Chandler, D. D.	Oct. 25, 1832	11	35	46	2	0	1	1	1	2	0	3	0	1	85
" 2d ch.	Jan. 15, 1817	P. C. Headley,	May 7, 1857	35	70	105	10	0	1	1	0	3	0	3	0	2	100
Hawley, East,	Sept 6, 1793	Henry Seymour,	Oct. 3, 1849	30	57	87	5	5	0	5	1	0	3	4	1	2	100
" West,	Aug. 24, 1825	Jeremiah Pomeroy,	Stated supply	12	24	36	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	50
Heath,	April 15, 1785	Edward B. Emerson,	Jan. 21. 1855	26	76	102	14	2	2	4	5	5	0	10	1	6	170
Montague,	No rec. (1752?)	*Brown Emerson,	Aug. 21, 1856	52	102	154	20	0	8	8	6	1	0	7	0	1	163
Northfield, Trin. ch.	Nov. 30, 1825	Vacant,		11	30	41	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	60
Orange,	Sept. 23, 1846	Vacant,		36	92	128	11	2	10	12	1	5	2	8	0	3	160
Rowe, Ev. Cong. ch.	April 10, 1833	Vacant.		8	12	20	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shelburne, 1st ch.	1770	Richard S. Billings,	June 6, 1855	39	60	99	0	3	1	4	1	0	0	1	0	1	100
" Falls,	March 6, 1850	Wilbur F. Loomis,	April 15, 1856	31	60	91	1	11	9	20	3	10	0	13	6	0	170
Shutesbury,	Oct. 27, 1742	James Tisdale,	Stated supply	12	36	48	14	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
Sunderland,	Jan. 1, 1718	Sereno D. Clark,	May 31, 1853	93	127	220	12	21	5	29	4	7	0	11	9	11	155
Warwick,	June 10, 1829	Henry M. Bridge,	May 16, 1855	15	40	55	8	0	4	4	2	2	0	4	0	2	85
Wendell,	Nov 30, 1774	Vacant,		14	40	54	15	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0
Whately, 2d ch.	Nov. 10, 1842	Charles Lord,	March 21, 1856	26	51	77	10	0	4	4	1	8	0	9	0	0	70
Total, 29		18 Pastors. 5 S. S.		875	1762	2637	297	109	81	190	53	91	7	151	54	62	2991

Without Pastoral Charge.—Horatio Flagg, Coleraine; John Ferguson, Whately; George L. Hovey, Dist. Secretary Am. and For. Christian Union, Greenfield; Edward F. Brooks—4.

*Not a member of the Association.

DAVID A. STRONG, Deerfield, Scribe, WILLARD BRIGHAM, Ashfield, Statistical Scribe.

10. HAMPDEN EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Church Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1855.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem	Total.	Absent	Prof. Let		Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad	Int.	
Chicopee, 1st ch.	Sept. 27, 1752	Eli B Clark,	Oct. 16, 1839	36	56	92	12	3	1	4	2	5	0	7	0	0	70
" 2d ch.	July 3, 1830	R. B Thurston,	Stated supply	42	126	169	76	27	5	32	1	10	0	11	12	3	120
" 3d ch.	Oct. 16, 1831	L H Cone,	Feb. 19, 1857	56	145	201	58	8	16	24	2	25	4	31	1	13	199
Longmeadow,	Oct 17, 1716	John W. Harding,	Jan. 1, 1850	68	133	201	14	5	7	12	3	5	0	8	3	4	100
" East,	April 22, 1829	J. R Brown,	Dec. 13, 1851	24	68	92	9	2	0	2	2	5	0	7	0	2	50
Ludlow, 1st ch.	1789	J W. Tuck,	Sept. 6, 1843	47	78	125	8	2	3	5	2	7	4	13	0	9	200
Monson,	June 23, 1762	{ Alfred Ely, D. D.	Dec 17, 1806														
		{ T. G. Colton,	March 28, 1855	68	148	216	90	4	7	11	7	8	0	15	1	2	225
		Vacant,		17	56	73	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	50
Palmer, 1st ch.	1730																
" 2d ch.	April 1, 1847	J Vaill. D. D.	Dec. 7, 1854	21	45	66	6	0	4	4	2	5	0	7	0	0	95
South Hadley Falls,	Aug. 12, 1824	Richard Knight,	Sept 10, 1856	22	51	73	0	5	8	13	1	5	0	6	3	1	130
Springfield, 1st ch.	1637	{ S Osgood, D. D.	Jan. 25, 1809														
		{ H. M. Parsons,	Nov. 15, 1854	76	261	340	54	10	15	25	8	23	1	32	6	9	210
" Olivet,	1833	George D. F. Folsom,	May 23, 1855	44	113	157	23	5	9	14	1	5	0	6	2	2	125
" South,	March 23, 1842	S G Buckingham,	June 16, 1847	102	193	295	30	3	12	15	4	12	0	16	0	5	180
" North,	Oct. 28, 1846	R. H. Seeley,	March 1, 1849	63	118	181	12	5	32	37	1	11	0	12	2	15	170
" Indian Orchard,	March 28, 1848	E. D. Murphy,	Stated supply.	11	24	35	3	2	7	9	0	1	0	1	2	2	75
Wilbraham,	June, 1741	Vacant,		57	102	159	41	0	3	3	4	3	0	7	0	0	100
" South,	1785	Vacant,		20	53	92	19	0	1	1	0	6	1	7	0	0	50
Total, 17		14 Pastors, 2 S S.		774	1773	2567	486	81	130	211	40	136	10	186	32	68	2149

Without Pastoral Charge.—F. A. Barton, Indian Orchard; C. B. Kittredge, Monson; S. Hine, Groton, Ct.; W. E. Dixon, Ellington, Ct., P. H. Snow, Baltimore, Md.; W. S. Blanchard; John Bowers, Wilbraham; J. C. Houghton, East Windsor, Ct.—8.

Ludlow 2d church, reported last year, is virtually or actually extinct.

Eli B. Clark, Chicopee, Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

11. HAMPDEN WEST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.			Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Agawam,	Sept. 1, 1819	Ralph Perry,	Dec. 28, 1847	32	64	96	6	1	5	6	1	4	0	5	1	3	75
" Feeding Hills,	Nov. 10, 1762	S. D. Ward,	Oct. 18, 1853	27	53	80	15	1	2	3	0	3	0	3	0	4	60
Blandford,	1735	Charles J. Hinsdale,	Jan 20, 1835	41	82	123	29	1	2	3	3	3	0	6	1	2	120
Chester,	1765	Hugh Gibson,	Stated supply	27	41	68	10	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	70
" Factories,	Nov. 13, 1844	Zolva Whittemore,	Stated supply.	9	17	26	5	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	25
Granville, East,	1747	T. M. Cooley, D. D.	Feb. 3, 1796	29	60	89	8	2	0	2	1	1	1	3	0	0	80
" West,	1786	Francis Homes,	Stated supply	22	38	60	6	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	30
Holyoke, 1st ch.	Dec. 4, 1799	Simeon Miller,	May 7, 1846	23	37	60	10	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	3	75
" 2d ch.	May 24, 1849	J. B. R. Walker,	Nov. 8, 1854	26	43	69	28	3	10	13	3	13	0	16	0	1	165
Huntington, 2d ch.	Aug. 26, 1846	Townsend Walker,	Dec. 27, 1843	19	35	54	9	0	5	5	1	2	0	3	0	2	100
Montgomery,	June 30, 1797	Vacant,		7	14	21	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	30
Southwick,	Aug. 16, 1773	James A. Clark,	Stated supply.	22	60	82	20	0	0	0	2	6	0	8	0	1	65
Tolland,	1797	Vacant,		39	70	109	20	2	2	4	1	4	0	5	1	0	85
Westfield, 1st ch.	Aug. 27, 1679	Emerson Davis, D. D.	June 1, 1836	85	244	329	22	9	9	18	5	66	0	71	2	4	260
" 2d ch.	May 22, 1856	Joel S. Bingham,	June 17, 1857	36	45	81	3	12	69	81	0	0	0	0	5	5	160
West Springfield,	June, 1698	Theron H. Hawks,	March 7, 1855	68	149	217	17	8	6	14	6	11	2	19	4	7	217
" Mettineague,	June 10, 1850	Vacant,		13	32	45	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
Total, 17		10 Pastors, 4 S. S.		525	1084	1609	240	40	112	152	25	120	3	148	14	33	1707

Without Pastoral Charge.—Henry Cooley, Springfield; Francis Norwood.—2.

Emerson Davis, D. D., Westfield, Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

12. HAMPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856			Removed 1856.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad	Int.	School.
Chesterfield,	Oct. 30, 1761	John E Cory,	Stated supply	8	35	43	2	0	1	1	2	6	0	8	0	0	75
Cummington, 1st,	July 7, 1779	Nelson Barbour,	Stated supply	21	44	65	17	1	2	3	3	2	0	5	0	0	75
" Village,	July 1, 1839	Theodore J. Clark,	Oct. 11, 1842	33	46	79	5	5	3	8	1	1	1	3	3	0	125
" West,	1840	Joseph B Baldwin,	Sept 1, 1841	24	49	73	19	1	0	1	0	3	0	3	1	3	40
Easthampton, 1st,	Nov. 17, 1785	Aaron M. Colton,	March 2, 1853	85	163	248	16	2	2	4	5	8	0	13	1	7	150
" Payson ch.	Dec. 29, 1852	Rollin S. Stone,	Dec. 30, 1852	47	105	152	17	5	6	11	0	9	0	9	1	3	163
Goshen,	Dec. 21, 1780	Thomas H Rood,	Jan. 31, 1855	37	68	105	31	4	0	4	1	6	0	7	2	1	65
Hatfield,	1670	Vacant,		107	153	260	21	0	5	5	4	2	0	6	0	9	125
Huntington,	1777	H. A. Austin,	Nov. 6, 1856	46	66	112	16	0	0	0	3	2	1	6	0	2	175
Middlefield,	Nov. 18, 1783	Moody Harrington,	June 28, 1854	24	29	53	3	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	53
Northampton, 1st,	June 18, 1661	Vacant,		160	240	400	30	2	0	2	9	5	0	14	0	3	350
" Edwards ch.	Jan. 30, 1833	Gordon Hall,	June 2, 1852	90	171	261	19	5	5	10	4	7	0	11	2	9	250
Plainfield,	Aug. 31, 1786	Vacant,		39	86	125	21	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	4	183
Southampton,	June 8, 1743	Stephen C. Strong,	April 12, 1854	155	181	336	50	3	0	3	5	8	0	13	1	12	225
Westhampton,	Sept. 1779	K. Foster,	Nov. 20, 1856	62	98	160	10	2	3	5	9	2	0	11	1	3	160
Whately, 1st,	Aug. 21, 1771	C. N. Seymour,	March 9, 1853	61	84	145	20	0	1	1	2	2	0	4	0	1	140
Williamsburg,	July 3, 1773	Frederic T Perkins,	Feb. 3, 1857	90	145	235	38	2	4	6	7	10	0	17	0	0	160
" Haydenville,	March 1, 1851	Elisha W Cook,	June 14, 1854	33	85	118	18	7	3	10	1	3	0	4	3	1	120
Worthington,	April 1, 1771	John H. Bisbee,	Dec 19, 1838	79	123	202	25	0	1	1	3	0	0	3	0	4	312
Total, 19		14 Pastors, 2 S. S.		1201	1971	3172	378	39	39	78	60	68	2	130	15	62	2946

Without Pastoral Charge—S. Lyman, Erastus Clapp, Easthampton; Morris E. White, Northampton.—3.

Gordon Hall, Northampton, Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

13. HAMPSHIRE EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.			Admitted 1856.				Removed 1856.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Im	School.
Amherst, 1st ch.	Nov. 7, 1739	Edward S. Dwight,	July 19, 1854	110	212	322	57	1	12	13	8	16	0	24	0	7	226
" 2d ch.	Nov. 11, 1783	Chas. L. Woodworth,	Nov. 7, 1849	41	115	156	15	0	6	6	5	2	0	7	0	5	150
" South ch.	Oct. 14, 1824	James L. Merrick.	Jan. 31, 1849	35	89	124	5	1	2	3	2	3	0	5	0	0	100
" College ch.	March 7, 1826	Wm A Stearns, D. D	Nov. 24, 1854	56	19	75	24	0	7	7	0	2	0	2	0	0	0
" North ch.	Nov. 15, 1826	George E Fisher,	Sept. 16, 1852	87	144	231	24	1	2	3	5	6	0	11	1	4	100
Belchertown,	1739	Henry B. Blake,	June 26, 1855	136	301	437	60	33	5	38	3	3	0	6	8	12	300
Enfield,	1790	Robert McEwen,	Feb. 16, 1842	124	203	327	59	12	1	13	4	0	0	4	9	0	140
Granby,	1762	Henry Mills.	Nov. 23, 1854	94	153	247	40	3	6	9	6	5	0	11	0	7	200
Greenwich,	1749	Edward P. Blodgett,	July 5, 1843	34	99	133	27	4	7	11	7	8	0	15	3	2	180
Hadley, 1st ch.	1659	Rowland Ayres,	Jan. 12, 1848	63	115	178	44	5	3	8	4	7	0	11	3	10	233
" 2d ch.	Oct. 26, 1831	Warren H. Beaman.	Sept. 15, 1841	37	81	118	20	1	5	6	1	9	0	10	1	1	130
" Russell ch.	July 15, 1841	J. Woodbridge, D. D.	Feb. 16, 1842	35	63	98	4	2	2	4	2	0	0	2	1	4	70
Leverett,	1784	David Eastman,	Feb. 12, 1840	33	70	103	21	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	100
Pelham,	1837	Vacant,		12	33	45	15	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0	0
Prescott,	Jan. 15, 1823	Vacant,		12	20	32	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	50
South Hadley, 1st ch.	1733	Edward Y Swift,	Nov. 3, 1852	74	161	236	31	9	5	14	3	13	0	16	3	8	150
Total, 16		14 Pastors.		983	1881	2864	453	72	63	135	56	75	0	131	29	50	2129

Without Pastoral Charge.—Edward Hitchcock, D. D, Joseph H. Patrick, Amherst; James Bates, Granby; William Tyler, Pawtucket; Roswell Hawks, South Hadley; John A Nash, New York City; Dana Goodsell, Charles Galpin.—8.

GEORGE E. FISHER, Amherst, Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

14. HARMONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Blackstone,	April 15, 1841	*Thomas E. Bliss,	Stated supply	17	40	57	30	0	5	5	1	2	0	3	0	0	100
Douglas,	Nov. 11, 1747	Gilbert B. Richardson,		9	31	40	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	80
" East,	June 12, 1834	Joshua L. Maynard,	July 7, 1852	46	99	145	15	1	0	1	0	3	1	4	1	4	298
Grafton,	Dec. 28, 1731	Thomas C. Biscoe,	July 18, 1838	112	203	315	40	25	7	32	2	8	0	10	10	2	348
Millbury, 1st ch.	Oct. 10, 1747	Vacant,		50	104	154	33	1	1	2	1	3	0	4	1	2	175
" 2d ch.	Aug. 23, 1827	Lewis Jessup,	April 24, 1856	84	139	223	51	0	2	2	2	6	2	10	0	7	200
Northbridge,	June 20, 1782	William Bates,	Nov. 5, 1845	28	61	89	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	100
" Whitinsville,	July 31, 1834	Lewis F. Clark,	June 1, 1842	42	99	141	20	1	6	7	2	8	0	10	1	2	230
Sutton,	1720	George Lyman,	Nov. 12, 1851	49	118	167	34	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	2	135
Upton,	1735	Andrew J. Willard,	April 30, 1857	68	178	246	44	0	0	0	10	4	0	14	0	3	309
Uxbridge,	Jan. 17, 1731	Jacob J. Abbott,	April 3, 1850	30	139	169	34	2	4	6	5	5	0	10	1	5	232
Westboro',	Oct. 24, 1724	Luther H. Sheldon,	March 20, 1856	119	258	377	45	13	10	23	5	11	0	16	7	11	370
Total, 12		9 Pastors, 2 S. S.		654	1469	2123	364	43	36	79	30	51	3	84	21	38	2577

Without Pastoral Charge.—M. Burdett, Philadelphia, Pa.; David Holman, Douglas; Sidney Holman, Holyoke; John Orcutt, Hartford, Ct.—4.

* A member of Taunton Association.

The churches at Grass Hill in Millbury, and Millville in Blackstone, being virtually extinct, are dropped from the list, by direction of the Association.

JOSHUA L. MAYNARD, East Douglas, Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

15. MENDON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Dover,	Oct. 23, 1839	John Haskell,	Dec. 25, 1850	14	26	40	12	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	3	50
Foxboro',	Nov. 25, 1779	Vacant,		46	110	156	6	10	6	16	2	2	0	4	3	3	220
Franklin,	Feb. 16, 1738	Samuel Hunt,	Dec. 4, 1850	42	138	180	16	0	2	2	4	2	0	6	0	3	135
" South,	Sept. 13, 1855	Joseph Thayer,	Stated supply.	10	17	27	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	75
Holliston,	Nov. 20, 1728	Joshua T. Tucker,	June 6, 1849	64	209	273	20	5	2	7	7	2	0	9	3	5	347
Mansfield,	May 9, 1838	Jacob Ide. Jr.	March 26, 1856	27	48	75	14	1	0	1	2	4	0	6	0	2	80
Medfield,	Feb. 7, 1828	Andrew Bigelow,	Sept. 12, 1855	20	60	80	3	4	1	5	1	2	0	3	3	1	100
Medway, 1st ch.		*Jacob Roberts,	Oct 9, 1856	33	86	119	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	4	165
" 2d ch.	Oct. 4, 1724	Jacob Ide, D. D.	Nov. 2, 1814	52	121	173	33	1	2	3	5	5	0	10	1	7	178
" Village ch.	Sept. 7, 1750	David Sanford,	Oct. 3, 1838	49	135	184	34	7	4	11	3	3	1	7	4	2	220
Mendon,	Aug. 13, 1838	Elijah Demond,	Stated supply	11	32	43	9	2	8	10	0	2	0	2	2	2	32
Milford,	April 15, 1828	James T. Woodbury,	July 15, 1852	55	122	177	8	11	6	17	4	9	0	13	4	5	200
Walpole,	1741	Vacant,		39	102	141	18	0	0	0	4	5	0	9	0	1	124
Wrentham,	1826	William L. Ropes,	Sept. 14, 1853	47	177	224	53	5	6	11	2	6	1	9	0	5	200
" North,	April 13, 1692	Franklin Davis,	Stated supply.	11	28	39	2	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	2	50
Total, 15	June 16, 1795	10 Pastors, 3 S S.		520	1411	1931	236	47	39	86	38	43	2	83	20	45	2176

Without Pastoral Charge.—John Dwight, North Wrentham; Sewall Harding. Auburndale; Calvin Hitchcock, D. D., Wrentham; Asa Hixon, Franklin; Caleb Kimball, Medway; D J. Poor, Gorham, Me.; Edward Pratt, City Missionary, New York; Andrew H. Reed, Mendon; Thomas T. Richmond, West Roxbury; T. D. Southworth; T D. P. Stone, Norwich, Ct.; Thomas Williams, Providence, R. I.; E. Y. Garrette, Foxboro'.—12. John O. Means is Pastor in Roxbury, and E. H. Nevin, D. D., is Pastor in Chelsea.

*Not a member of Association.

W. L. ROPES, Wrentham, Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

16. MIDDLESEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.			Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf	School.
Ashland,	Jan. 1835	T. F. Clary,	Dec. 25, 1856	47	80	127	8	0	4	4	2	0	0	2	0	3	250
Concord,	June 5, 1826	Luther H. Angier,	Chosen 1852	18	101	119		1	6	7	3	2	0	5	1	1	85
Framingham,	Oct. 8, 1771	Joseph C. Bodwell,	June 30, 1852	62	171	233	28	21	4	25	5	2	0	7	9	4	198
Hopkinton,	Sept. 2, 1724	John C. Webster,	Dec 19, 1838	53	116	169	20	0	3	3	2	3	0	5	0	2	150
Lincoln,	Aug 20, 1747	Wm. C. Jackson,	April 26, 1848	27	63	90	21	0	0	0	4	1	0	5	0	1	90
Marlboro',	1666	Levi A. Field,	Aug. 31, 1853	45	118	163	12	1	4	5	1	3	0	4	1	4	230
Natick,	Feb. 1802	Elias Nason,	May 5, 1852	57	140	197	10	5	9	14	0	3	0	3	3	4	350
Needham, West,	Sept. 7, 179-	A. R. Baker,	Chosen 1856	36	70	106	22	2	5	7	2	2	0	4	1	3	80
Saxonville,	May 1, 1836	*B. G. Northrop,	March 10, 1847	25	91	116	20	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	4	104
Sherborn,	March 26, 1685	Edmund Dowse,	Oct. 10, 1838	62	97	159	23	1	3	4	3	1	1	5	1	2	127
Southboro',	Feb. 17, 1831	E. D. Bates,	Jan. 8, 1857	55	112	167	23	2	1	3	3	2	0	5	0	3	222
Stowe,	March 11, 1839	Vacant,		6	25	31	6	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	Union.
Sudbury,	Aug. 1640	Erastus Dickinson,	May 14, 1856	57	120	177	10	5	6	11	5	1	0	6	1	4	183
Waltham,	Aug. 9, 1853	Vacant,		12	45	57	7	0	3	3	0	2	0	2	0	0	50
Wayland,	May 21, 1828	Henry Allen,	Sept. 30, 1852	50	102	152	20	2	0	2	0	3	0	3	2	6	130
Total, 15		11 Pastors, 2 S. S.		594	1350	1944	230	42	48	90	33	27	1	61	19	41	2249

Without Pastoral Charge.—I. N. Tarbox, Sec. of Am. Ed. Soc., Framingham; Joseph Haven, Professor in Amherst College; Wm. M. Thayer, Franklin; Charles V. Spear, Pittsfield; David M. Elwood, Norwalk, Ct.—5.

*Agent of Mass Board of Education.

LEVI A. FIELD, Marlboro', Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

17. MIDDLESEX UNION ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Acton,	March 13, 1832	Joseph Garland,	Stated supply.	81	114	195	58	0	0	0	1	7	0	8	0	0	90
Ashby,	June 12, 1776	Charles W. Wood,	Oct. 30, 1839	54	95	149	30	2	1	3	3	0	1	4	0	1	198
Assabet,	Sept. 23, 1852	Alpha Morton,	Nov. 19, 1856	9	18	27	2	4	1	5	1	1	0	2	0	1	163
Boxboro',	April 29, 1724	Leonard Luce,	Stated supply.	23	26	49	7	0	3	3	1	1	0	2	0	3	50
Fitchburg,	Jan. 27, 1768	Vacant.		111	223	334	46	2	16	18	3	14	3	20	1	6	375
Groton,	July 12, 1664	Edwin A. Bulkley,	Sept. 18, 1850	59	149	208	22	6	6	12	1	7	1	9	2	3	200
Harvard,	March 22, 1821	John Dodge,	May 10, 1854	43	94	137	22	5	1	6	3	3	1	7	4	2	150
Lancaster,	May 22, 1839	Franklin B. Doe,	Oct. 19, 1854	24	57	81	11	3	3	6	0	0	0	0	1	1	125
Leominster,	Dec. 22, 1822	Vacant,		75	157	232	30	5	7	12	3	12	2	17	1	3	270
Littleton,	May 14, 1840	Elihu Loomis,	Stated supply.	16	32	48	4	8	4	12	0	0	0	0	4	5	65
Lunenburg,	June 10, 1835	William A. Mandell,	Jan. 2, 1856	32	70	102	15	1	2	3	5	3	0	8	0	1	100
Pepperell,	Jan. 29, 1747	Edward P. Smith,	June 11, 1856	103	181	284	73	3	1	4	7	5	0	12	2	1	240
Shirley,	March 12, 1828	Bronson B. Beardsley,	Stated supply.	15	42	57	14	8	0	8	1	6	0	7	5	1	60
Townsend,	Oct. 16, 1734	Vacant,		73	157	230	16	0	0	0	8	6	0	14	0	2	150
Westford,	Dec. 25, 1828	Vacant,		30	75	105	13	0	0	0	8	4	0	12	0	0	160
Total, 15		7 Pastors, 4 S. S.		748	1490	2238	363	47	45	92	45	69	8	122	20	30	2396

Without Pastoral Charge.—Daniel Butler, Sec. Mass. Bible Society, Charles Hammond, Principal Lawrence Academy, Groton; James Means, Andover; George Trask, Fitchburg.—4.

Edwin A. Bulkley, Groton, Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

18. NORFOLK ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled	Chh. Mem. Jan 1, 1857. [Admitted 1856						Removed 1856.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let	Tot.	D'th	Dis	Exc	Tot	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Abington, 1st ch.	1712	Vacant,		49	81	130	9	3	0	3	3	1	0	4	1	2	110
" 2d cong. ch	Aug. 19, 1807	Henry L. Edwards,	July 14, 1857	62	106	168	19	0	0	0	0	3	4	7	0	2	159
" 3d ch.	Aug. 27, 1813	Horace D. Walker,	Feb. 15, 1844	31	78	109	10	0	0	0	5	0	0	5	0	2	200
" North,	Oct. 1839	Isaac C. White,	Oct. 23, 1850	36	64	100	5	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	0	150
Berkley, Trin. cong. c	Sept. 1848	James A. Roberts,	Stated supply	14	21	35	3	5	2	7	2	0	0	2	4	1	54
Braintree, 1st ch.	Sept. 10, 1707	R. S. Storrs, D. D.	July 3, 1811	46	122	168	10	0	4	4	5	0	0	5	0	2	127
" South.	Nov. 18, 1829	Dennis Powers,	Dec. 4, 1850	27	50	77	9	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	4	150
Braintree and Weymouth, Union ch.	Aug. 14, 1811	Jonas Perkins,	June 14, 1815	53	100	153	10	4	4	8	9	0	0	9	1	10	200
Cohasset, 2d cong. ch.	Nov. 24, 1824	Frederick A. Reed,	March 9, 1848	14	82	96	12	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	101
Dorchester, 2d ch.	Jan. 1, 1808	James H. Means,	July 13, 1848	75	224	299	55	3	4	7	9	5	0	14	1	8	200
" Village ch.	March 11, 1829	Theodore T. Munger,	Feb. 6, 1856	40	99	139	24	1	1	2	9	4	0	13	0	5	95
E. & W. Bridgewater.	June 30, 1826	Philo B. Wilcox,	May 14, 1851	49	65	114	6	3	0	3	1	3	0	4	2	0	150
Easton,	Unknown.	Luther Sheldon, D. D	Oct. 24, 1810														
		Lyman White,	Oct. 24, 1855	33	79	112	16	2	1	3	1	2	0	3	2	0	191
Hanson,	Aug. 31, 1749	Sam'l L. Rockwood,	March 11, 1840	12	50	62	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	100
Hingham,	Dec. 21, 1847	E. Porter Dyer,	Jan. 4, 1849	6	15	21	4	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	60
Milton, 1st ch.	April, 1678	Albert K. Teele,	Dec. 18, 1850	32	76	108	16	3	3	6	0	1	0	1	0	3	70
" 2d Ev. ch.	Nov. 9, 1843	Edwin Leonard,	March 25, 1852	8	25	33	7	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	1	100
*Needham,	May 6, 1857	L. Root Eastman,	Stated supply	10	17	27	0	0	27	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
North Bridgewater, 1st	Oct. 15, 1740	Paul Couch,	Oct. 7, 1835	49	79	128	3	1	3	4	2	2	0	4	1	0	160
" South cong ch.	Jan 3, 1837	Vacant,		53	79	132	15	10	9	19	2	3	0	5	7	1	175
" Porter Ev. ch.	March 6, 1850	Charles L. Mills,	Aug. 11, 1852	70	129	199	5	21	8	29	6	2	1	9	16	0	250
Quincy,	Aug. 16, 1832	Nelson Clark,	Jan 2, 1850	33	93	126	28	5	0	5	1	1	0	2	1	11	177
Randolph,	May, 1731	Christop. M. Cordley,	March 3, 1852	40	87	127	5	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	0	157
" East,	Dec 15, 1818	Vacant,				84	3	0	0	0	4	62	0	66	0	8	150
" Winthrop c.	Dec. 30, 1856	Ezekiel Russell,	Feb. 3, 1857	17	44	61	0	0	61	61	0	0	0	0	0	0	115
Scituate, North,	1639	Daniel Wight, Jr.	Sept. 28, 1842	24	51	75	5	0	1	1	2	0	2	4	0	1	120
Sharon,	Jan. 25, 1741	L. R. Phillips,	July 29, 1841	23	77	100	3	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	0	1	130
Stoughton, 1st ch.	Aug. 10, 1744	Thomas Wilson,	March 13, 1856	31	56	87	17	4	4	8	5	0	0	5	2	0	100
Weymouth, North, 1st	July, 1623	Joshua Emery,	Jan. 25, 1838	48	87	135	3	0	1	1	0	0	4	4	0	0	86
" South, 2d	1723	James P. Terry,	July 6, 1848	27	68	95	5	6	3	9	0	2	0	2	0	7	150
" Union ch.	Nov. 1, 1842	Willard M. Harding,	Nov. 17, 1847	20	54	74	0	3	0	3	2	0	2	4	1	1	175
" North, Pilgrim c.	March 11, 1852	Vacant,		17	45	62	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	60
Total, 32		27 Pastors, 2 S. S.		1039	2286	3409	310	77	114	191	77	97	13	187	39	71	4222

Without Pastoral Charge.—A. G. Duncan, Boston; Daniel Huntington, New London, Ct.; Willard Peirce, North Abington.—3.

*Not included in summary of members.

THEODORE T. MUNGER, Dorchester, (Milton P. O.), Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

19. OLD COLONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad	Inf.	School.
Dartmouth, South,	April, 1807	M. G. Wheeler,	Nov. 14, 1855	18	58	76	22	0	5	5	4	0	0	4	0	0	76
Edgartown,	1641	Vacant,		32	78	110	3	3	1	4	3	0	0	3	3	0	120
Fairhaven,	1794	John Willard,	Jan. 25, 1855	68	139	207	33	7	10	17	3	4	1	8	2	0	251
Marion,	1703	Leander Cobb,	Dec. 1, 1841	16	37	53	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	90
Mattapoisett,	July 28, 1736	Charles Livingston,	Sept. 17, 1856	36	57	93	6	0	1	1	2	2	0	4	0	3	65
Middleboro', Central,	March 25, 1847	Isaiah C. Thacher,	April 16, 1856	38	78	116	10	1	10	11	1	4	1	6	2	6	140
Nantucket,	1698	*Joseph E. Swallow,	May 21, 1856	61	264	325	38	0	3	3	3	6	2	11	0	0	262
New Bedford, 1st ch.	1696	Vacant,		19	44	63	18	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	65
" North ch.	Oct. 15, 1807	Henry W. Parker,	Aug. 8, 1856	89	196	285	38	0	7	7	4	3	0	7	0	0	200
" Trinit. ch.	Nov. 13, 1830	Wheelock Craig,	Dec. 4, 1850	41	122	163	49	0	3	3	3	5	0	8	0	5	170
" Pacific ch	Oct. 8, 1844	Timothy Stowe,	April 11, 1854	28	63	91	16	4	2	6	0	0	0	0	3	4	280
Rochester, Centre,	1686	Eli W. Harrington,	June 19, 1850	16	75	91	21	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	100
" North,	1758	Isaac Briggs,	Stated supply	9	15	24	3	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	0	30
Wareham,	Jan. 5, 1740	Homer Barrows,	Oct. 27, 1852	36	79	115	22	3	2	5	3	0	0	3	0	0	125
Total, 14		11 Pastors, 1 S. S.		507	1305	1812	281	20	47	67	29	27	4	60	11	18	1974

Without Pastoral Charge.—Nathaniel Cobb, Evangelist, Kingston; D. C. Burt, Berkley; A Eldridge; William Gould; Samuel Nott, Jr.—5. J. A. Roberts of Berkley, and Jacob Roberts of East Medway, are also members.

*Not a member of Association.

TIMOTHY STOWE, New Bedford, Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

20. PILGRIM ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Carver,	May 13, 1733	Vacant,		25	55	80	4	1	2	3	2	2	0	4	0	0	75
Halifax,	Oct. 16, 1734	Timothy G. Brainerd,	June 27, 1855	19	30	49	1	3	1	4	3	0	0	3	1	0	125
Hanover, 1st ch.	Dec. 1728	Joseph Freeman,	April 18, 1855	14	42	56	9	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	108
" Four Corners	April 12, 1854	Vacant,		21	25	46	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Kingston,	March 19, 1828	Vacant,		22	62	84	12	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	68
Marshfield, South,	1632	Ebenezer Alden, Jr.	Oct. 30, 1850	22	36	58	6	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	1	120
" East,	July 4, 1835	Frederick A. Fisk,	Nov. 16, 1854	20	35	55	1	21	1	22	1	0	0	1	6	1	75
Plymouth, South,	Nov. 8, 1738	Daniel H. Babcock,	June 16, 1853	60	82	142	20	1	0	1	3	1	0	4	1	5	100
" Centre,	Oct. 1, 1801	N. B. Blanchard,	Stated supply.	57	133	190	9	1	5	6	1	2	0	3	0	7	200
" Chiltonville,	June 18, 1818	Vacant,		18	33	51	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	35
Plympton,	Oct. 27, 1698	Josiah Ballard,	Stated supply.	27	75	102	8	2	2	4	2	0	1	3	0	2	145
Total, 11		5 Pastors, 2 S. S.		305	608	913	80	31	14	45	16	5	1	22	8	17	1151

Without Pastoral Charge.—Timothy Davis, Kingston; Stillman Pratt, Middleboro'; Freeman P. Howland, Jonathan King, Abington.—4.

Ebenezer Alden, Jr., Marshfield, Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

21. SALEM ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Beverly, Dane-st.	Nov. 9, 1802	Joseph Abbott,	Oct. 23, 1834	62	91	153	0	1	0	1	5	1	0	6	0	3	200
" 4th ch.	Sept. 1, 1834	Samuel Ordway,	Stated supply	3	22	25	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	43
Boxford, 1st ch.	1702	Wm. S. Coggin,	May 9, 1838	27	57	84	8	0	1	1	1	1	1	3	0	3	150
Danvers, 1st ch.	Nov. 16, 1689	M. P. Braman, D. D.	April 12, 1826	48	93	141	4	1	1	2	5	0	0	5	1	4	250
Lynn, 1st ch.	1632	Parsons Cooke, D. D.	May 4, 1836	64	207	271	10	41	6	47	3	3	0	6	21	7	250
" Central ch.	Dec 11, 1850	Jotham B. Sewall,	Feb. 28, 1855	20	49	69	4	4	3	7	0	0	3	3	0	3	163
Lynnfield, South,	Jan. 18, 1854	Ariel P. Chute,	Stated supply.	3	11	14	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	0	0	30
Marblehead,	1684	Benjamin R. Allen,	Nov. 8, 1854	60	310	370	50	1	2	3	3	2	7	12	0	5	200
North Chelsea,	May 9, 1828	Joseph Tarlton,	Stated supply.	4	14	18	0	4	0	4	0	0	0	0			50
Salem, Tabernacle ch.	Aug. 6, 1629	S. M. Worcester, D.D	Dec. 3, 1834	81	317	398	16	4	4	8	7	1	2	10	2	8	400
Saugus, 1st ch.	1732	Levi Brigham,	May 7, 1851	9	19	28	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	115
Swampscott, 1st ch.	July 15, 1846	Jonas B. Clark,	July 15, 1846	9	48	57	6	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	168
Topsfield,	1663	Anson McLoud,	Dec. 8, 1841	56	116	172	13	2	2	4	3	0	0	3	0	0	180
Wenham,	Oct. 8, 1644	Vacant,		38	81	119	13	0	2	2	2	3	0	5	0	3	225
Total, 14		10 Pastors, 3 S. S.		484	1435	1919	133	61	22	83	30	13	13	56	27	37	2424

Without Pastoral Charge.—Allen W. Gannett, Boston; Joseph Tracy, Sec. Mass. Colonization Society, Beverly.—2.

JONAS B. CLARK, Swampscott, Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

22. SUFFOLK NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856				Baptisms		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	int.	
Boston, Old South ch.	May 12, 1669	G. W. Blagden, D. D.	Sept. 28, 1836														
" Bowdoin-st. c.	July 18, 1825	Jacob M. Manning,	March 11, 1857	83	302	385		2	4	6	8	8	1	17		3	210
" Central ch.	May 11, 1835	Vacant,		128	304	432	121	6	2	8	4	18	0	22	4	3	350
Cambridge, 1st ch.	Feb. 1, 1636	George Richards,	Oct 8, 1845	134	286	420		5	12	17	5	13	0	18	4	3	383
" Port, 1st ch.	Sept. 20, 1827	John A. Albro, D. D.	April 15, 1835	90	227	317		9	5	14	4	2	0	6	4	8	200
" East,	Sept. 8, 1842	Edward W. Gilman,	Sept. 9, 1856	114	228	342	77	6	22	28	5	15	0	20	3	15	279
Charlestown, 1st ch.	Nov. 2, 1632	Vacant,		60	73	133	25	7	5	12	3	6	0	9	4	7	110
" Winthrop ch	Jan. 9, 1833	James B. Miles,	Jan. 2, 1855	69	193	262	36	5	1	6	8	5	0	13	2	2	362
Chelsea, Winnisimmet	Sept. 20, 1841	Benjamin Tappan, Jr.	Oct. 4, 1848	106	252	358	84	11	9	20	2	20	0	22	2	7	552
" Broadway ch.	April 2, 1851	Isaac P. Langworthy,	Nov. 10, 1841	90	173	263	53	3	7	10	0	35	0	35	1	15	502
" *Plymouth ch	Jan. 7, 1857	Joseph A. Copp,	Jan. 7, 1852	61	121	182	3	7	6	13	0	11	0	11	2	5	300
Malden, South,	March 16, 1848	Edwin H. Nevin,	April 29, 1857	10	13	23	0	0	23	23							
Newton, 1st ch.	Aug. 1, 1664	Francis G Pratt,	Oct. 19, 1849	16	37	53	3	1	5	6	1	4	0	5	1	0	140
" Auburndale,	Nov. 14, 1850	Daniel L. Furber,	Dec. 1, 1847	48	94	142	36	1	8	9	3	1	0	4	1	2	112
Reading, Old South,	Feb. 21, 1771	Edward W. Clark,	July 1, 1857	20	35	55	11	2	13	15	0	5	0	5	1	2	100
Somerville,	May 3, 1853	William Barrows,	Feb. 20, 1856	40	71	111	13	7	4	11	2	2	0	4	4	2	200
Waltham, Tr cong. ch.	Sept. 28, 1820	Benjamin Judkins,	Jan. 2, 1856	24	36	60	2	6	17	23	2	0	0	2	3	22	250
		John Whitney,	Nov. 8, 1837	21	76	97	39	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	80
Total, 17		16 Pastors.		1114	2521	3635	503	79	143	222	47	145	1	193	37	99	4130

Without Pastoral Charge.—E. A. Park, D. D., Andover; R. Anderson, D. D., G. C. Beckwith, D. D., Seth Bliss, Asa Bullard, W. M. Cornell, Lyman Gilbert, D. D., J. B. Waterbury, D. D., William Jenks, D. D., Boston; H. Winslow, Geneva, N. Y.; W. Bushnell, Newton Corner; W. A. Stearns, D. D., Amherst; Joseph L. Bennett, East Cambridge; A. W. McClure, D. D., New York; Dorus Clark, Waltham—15.

*Not included in summary of *members*.

William Barrows, Reading, Scribe.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Boston, Park-st. ch.	Feb. 27, 1809	Andrew L. Stone,	Jan. 25, 1849	216	489	705	120	18	10	28	6	22	0	28	5	10	380
" Essex-st. ch.	Aug. 26, 1822	Neh. Adams, D. D.	March 26, 1834	134	338	472	20	8	6	14	11	10	3	24	1	4	185
" Salem-st. ch.	Sept. 2, 1827	George W. Field,	Oct. 15, 1856	162	326	488	190	7	8	15	0	21	0	21	0	15	374
" Pine-st. ch.	Sept 2, 1827	Henry M. Dexter,	April 18, 1849	65	201	266	60	9	8	17	6	11	0	17	5	2	730
" Mariners' ch.	Jan. 20, 1830	Elijah Kellogg,	Acting Pastor	35	37	72	10	7	0	7	2	2	0	4	4	1	110
" Mt. Vernon c.	June 1, 1842	Edward N. Kirk, D. D.	June 1, 1842	227	439	666	177	22	22	44	9	57	1	67	9	22	409
" Shawmut ch	Nov. 20, 1845	Charles Smith,	Dec. 8, 1853	69	132	201	37	13	42	55	3	8	0	11	3	3	459
" South, Phillips c.	Dec. 10, 1823	Vacant,		77	168	245	50	14	5	19	6	8	2	16	7	6	347
" East, Maverick c.	May 31, 1836	Vacant,		114	259	373	36	19	10	29	4	4	0	8	4	17	526
Brighton, Evang. ch.	Sept. 13, 1827	Daniel Tenney,	Stated supply	34	82	116	38	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	112
Brookline, Harvard ch.	Aug. 26, 1844	Matson M. Smith,	June 5, 1851	37	76	113	8	4	5	9	2	9	0	11	2	5	120
Canton,	July 3, 1828	Solomon Clark,	Nov. 12, 1851	10	26	36	10	1	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	1	75
Dedham, South,	June 23, 1736	Moses M. Colburn,	Oct. 28, 1852	23	57	80	12	0	3	3	1	2	0	3	0	2	160
Needham, Grantville,	Feb. 24, 1847	Edward S. Atwood,	Oct. 23, 1856	23	32	55	6	0	0	0	1	4	0	5	0	1	75
Newton, West ch.	Oct. 21, 1781	Vacant,		49	77	126	12	13	7	20	0	1	0	1	3	5	110
" Eliot ch.	July 1, 1845	Joshua W. Wellman,	June 11, 1856	50	111	161	28	40	17	57	2	4	1	7	13	3	213
Roxbury, Eliot ch.	Sept. 18, 1834	Aug. C. Thompson,	July 27, 1842	98	207	305	39	7	24	31	3	15	0	18	2	12	445
* " Vine-st. ch.	April 9, 1857	John O. Means,	June 3, 1857	15	12	27	0	0	27	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Watertown, Phillips c	April 17, 1855	Stephen R. Dennen,	July 11, 1855	9	34	43	4	4	5	9	0	0	0	0	0	1	60
West Roxbury,—																	
South Evang. ch	June 11, 1835	Thomas Laurie,	May 7, 1851	30	64	94	9	1	5	6	0	9	0	9	0	2	142
" Jamaica Plain,—																	
Mather ch.	Feb. 15, 1853	Alonzo H. Quint,	Dec. 27, 1853	25	37	62	4	3	5	8	1	6	0	7	2	5	98
Total, 21		16 Pastors, 2 S S.		1487	3192	4679	870	190	183	373	58	195	7	260	60	117	5130

Without Pastoral Charge.—Selah B. Treat, Sec. A. B. C. F. M., J. S. Clark, D. D., Sec. Mass. Home Miss. Soc., S. H. Riddell, Editor, J. E. Woodbridge, and Lyman Beecher, D. D., Boston; Charles S. Porter, South Boston; C. Marsh, Jamaica Plain; Austin Phelps, D. D., Prof. Theol. Sem., Andover; John W. Alvord, Newton; Joseph P. Drummond.—10.

*Not included in summary of *members*.

THOMAS LAURIE, West Roxbury, Scribe; ALONZO H. QUINT, Jamaica Plain, (Acting) Statistical Scribe.

24. TAUNTON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Attleboro', 1st ch. W'st	Nov. 12, 1737	Vacant,		29	52	81	12	22	2	24	2	1	0	3	10	4	60
" 2d ch.	Nov 30, 1748	Vacant,		67	179	246	35	46	10	56	3	6	0	9	21	10	375
Berkley,	Dec. 2, 1737	John D. Smith,	Stated supply.	39	78	117	25	1	0	1	5	0	0	5	0	1	100
Fall River, Central,	Nov. 16, 1842	Eli Thurston,	March 21, 1849	73	130	203	28	4	8	12	5	2	1	8	0	4	200
Freetown,	1809	A G. Duncan,	Stated supply	8	16	24	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Norton,	April 3, 1832	Franklin Holmes,	Sept. 15, 1852	47	90	137	33	0	2	2	4	1	0	5	0	0	72
Pawtucket,	April 17, 1829	Constantine Blodgett,	July 27, 1836	70	219	289	55	43	14	57	2	2	0	4	25	13	285
Raynham,	Oct. 19, 1731	Robert Carver,	Dec. 1, 1847	38	105	143	23	3	1	4	4	0	0	4	2	1	180
Rehoboth,	Nov. 29, 1721	Vacant,		31	60	91	13	45	4	49	6	2	0	8	28	16	112
Seekonk,	1644	James O. Barney,	Feb. 4, 1824	27	61	88	17	26	1	27	1	2	0	3	12	8	160
Taunton, 1st ch.	1637	Alvan Cobb,	April 19, 1815	31	70	101	21	0	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	3	106
" Trin. cong. ch.	Aug. 17, 1821	Erastus Maltby,	Jan. 18, 1826	99	266	365	49	0	6	6	5	8	2	15	0	3	315
" Winslow ch.	Jan. 12, 1837	Mortimer Blake,	Dec. 4, 1855	61	108	169	26	0	6	6	5	18	1	24	0	1	150
" East,	June 16, 1853	James R. Cushing,	May 1, 1854	6	9	15	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Total, 14		9 Pastors, 2 S. S.		626	1443	2069	340	190	56	246	43	43	4	90	98	64	2195

Without Pastoral Charge.—Samuel Woodbury, Freetown; John Sandford, Taunton; S. B. Morley, West Attleboro'; Charles D. Lothrop, Attleboro'.—4. Thomas E. Bliss of Blackstone is also a member.

FRANKLIN HOLMES, Norton, Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms.		Sabbath School.
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
∞ Barnstable, West,	1616	Hiram Carlton,	March 20, 1853	35	47	82	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	75
" Cotuit and Herring Pond,	Aug 17, 1670	Asahel Cobb,	Stated supply.	5	23	28	0	3	0	3	1	0	0	1	0	2	31
" Centreville,	May 23, 1840	Elisha Bacon,	May 23, 1840	29	59	88	6	0	3	3	2	0	0	2	0	0	75
Chilmark,		T. W. Duncan,	Stated Supply.	1	16	17	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	1	1	30
Falmouth, 1st ch.	1718	Henry B. Hooker,	Feb. 22, 1837	60	157	217	6	1	0	1	2	2	0	4	0	11	150
" East,	June 20, 1821	George Ford,	May 21, 1856	20	30	50	8	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	65
" North,	1833	Vacant,		40	57	97	10	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	65
" East, 2d ch.	Jan. 3, 1849	Vacant,		14	39	53	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	65
Sandwich,	1639	Vacant,		41	86	127	8	1	3	4	6	2	0	8	0	2	80
" Monument,	July 9, 1833	Ezekiel Dow,	Stated supply	10	23	33	2	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	30
Tisbury, West,	1673	Vacant,		13	30	43	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	73
" Spring St.	April 18, 1844	Vacant,		6	20	26	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	50
Total, 12		4 Pastors, 3 S. S.		274	587	861	53	7	8	15	19	4	0	23	2	20	789

Without Pastoral Charge.—None.

ASAHEL COBB, Sandwich, Scribe.

26. WOBURN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Bedford,	July 15, 1730	Henry J. Patrick,	Nov. 16, 1854	48	129	177	17	4	5	9	1	0	1	2	1	3	120
Billerica,	April 30, 1829	Jesse G. D. Stearns,	May 10, 1843	17	46	63	28	2	1	3	1	3	0	4	2	1	60
Burlington,	Oct. 29, 1735	Abel Patten,	Stated supply.	16	33	49	14	0	4	4	3	0	0	3	0	1	87
Carlisle,	Feb. 28, 1781	John Lawrence,	May 5, 1853	13	49	62	6	3	0	3	0	1	0	1	1	1	70
Malden, 1st ch.	March 1649	Vacant,		47	104	151	51	4	1	5	1	3	0	4	1	3	150
Medford, 2d ch.	Oct. 2, 1823	Elihu P. Marvin,	Feb. 25, 1852	39	118	157	14	1	1	2	1	3	0	4	0	5	186
" Mystic ch.	July 6, 1847	Vacant,		28	88	116	13	4	4	8	1	12	0	13	3	11	180
Melrose,	July 11, 1848	Alexander J. Sessions,	Jan. 12, 1854	18	27	45	6	0	5	5	1	2	0	3	0	0	85
North Reading,	1720	Thomas N. Jones,	Oct. 19, 1853	20	50	70	5	0	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	150
Reading, Bethesda ch.	April 17, 1849	William H. Willcox,	July 2, 1857	59	90	149	16	0	1	1	3	7	1	11	0	4	224
South Reading,†	Nov. 5, 1645	*Reuben Emerson,	Oct. 17, 1804	57	94	151	30	0	2	2	1	6	0	7	0	1	101
Stoneham,	July 2, 1729	Charles P. Grosvenor,	Stated supply.	37	85	122	24	0	4	4	3	3	0	6	0	0	122
West Cambridge,	Dec. 14, 1842	Daniel R. Cady,	Feb. 14, 1856	32	66	98	24	3	14	17	1	1	0	2	1	8	126
Wilmington,	Oct. 24, 1733	Samuel H. Tolman,	Aug. 14, 1856	25	61	86	14	1	1	2	2	4	0	6	0	3	65
Winchester,	Nov. 19, 1840	Reuben T. Robinson,	Oct. 27, 1852	74	141	215	18	5	6	11	5	7	0	12	1	3	310
Woburn, 1st ch.	1642	Daniel March,	Oct. 1, 1856	156	282	438	56	4	9	13	3	12	0	15	1	4	354
" North,	Nov. 22, 1849	A. S. Nickerson,	Stated supply.	11	33	44	5	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	71
Total, 17		12 Pastors, 4 S. S.		697	1496	2193	311	31	60	91	28	67	2	97	11	50	2461

Without Pastoral Charge.—D. Cloyes, South Reading; George Gannett, West Cambridge; Samuel Sewall, Burlington; Joseph D. Hull, Somerville; H. W. K. Perkins, Medford.—5. E. W. Clark of Auburndale, and George T. Dole of Lancsboro', are also members.

*A member of Essex South Association.

†Joseph B. Johnson is Stated supply and Pastor elect of this church.

HENRY J. PATRICK, Bedford, Scribe.

27. WORCESTER CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Auburn,	Jan. 25, 1776	L. Ives Hoadley,	May 12, 1854	43	83	126	31	2	0	2	4	2	0	6	1	0	55
Barre,	Aug. 15, 1827	George Denham,	Dec. 3, 1856	55	132	187	35	10	1	11	5	6	0	11	0	4	150
Berlin,	1779	Wm. A. Houghton,	Oct. 26, 1853	24	91	115	15	0	0	0	2	2	1	5	0	2	135
Boylston,	Oct. 6, 1743	Wm. H. Sanford,	Oct. 17, 1832	42	79	121	36	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	0	150
Clinton,	Nov. 14, 1844	W. W. Winchester,	March 23, 1854	65	122	187	22	7	4	11	2	10	0	12	3	4	250
Holden,	Dec. 22, 1742	Wm. P. Paine, D. D.,	Oct. 24, 1833	100	236	336	50	14	4	18	5	4	3	12	5	0	250
Leicester,	March, 1721	{ John Nelson, D. D. { A. H. Coolidge,	March 4, 1812 / April 21, 1857	68	137	205	11	6	0	6	5	4	0	9	0	0	195
Northboro',	April 12, 1832	S. S. Ashley,	June 16, 1852	24	73	97	31	1	2	3	2	0	0	2	1	2	125
Oxford,	Jan. 18, 1721	Horatio Bardwell,	June 8, 1836	61	140	201	48	8	2	10	5	9	1	15	0	1	170
Paxton,	Sept. 3, 1767	William Phipps,	Nov. 11, 1840	32	75	107	6	1	0	1	2	2	0	4	0	2	175
Princeton,	Aug. 13, 1764	William T. Briggs,	Feb. 13, 1856	48	92	140	15	4	3	7	2	2	0	4	4	2	175
Rutland,	Oct. 9, 1727	David Burt,	Jan. 10, 1856	65	115	180	34	1	9	10	7	3	1	11	1	12	150
Shrewsbury,	Dec. 4, 1723	N. W. Williams,	Feb. 28, 1849	84	146	230	44	0	0	0	10	3	0	13	0	3	225
Sterling,	Jan. 8, 1852	William Miller,	May 9, 1855	16	34	50	12	1	2	3	2	0	0	2	2	0	95
Webster,	June 13, 1838	Vacant,		41	86	127	40	1	3	4	1	7	0	8	0	0	110
West Boylston,	Sept. 15, 1796	Joseph W. Cross,	March 11, 1840	90	190	280	30	31	4	35	5	5	0	10	13	4	260
Worcester, 1st par.	1716	Horace James,	Feb. 3, 1853	141	284	425	60	3	11	14	6	9	0	15	1	4	333
" Calvinist,	Aug. 16, 1820	Seth Sweetser, D. D	Dec. 19, 1838	99	228	327	33	4	2	6	5	5	0	10	2	8	250
" Union,	Feb. 3, 1836	Ebenezer Cutler,	Sept. 6, 1855	180	320	500	11	2	21	23	6	13	0	19	2	8	330
" Salem-st.	June 15, 1848	Vacant,		72	127	199	23	8	14	22	4	4	2	10	3	4	300
Total, 20		19 Pastors.		1350	2790	4140	587	101	82	176	82	93	8	183	38	60	3883

Without Pastoral Charge.—Rodney A. Miller, George Bushnell, Worcester; Isaac R. Worcester, Dist. Sec. A. B. C. F. M., Auburndale; Miner G. Pratt, Agent Am. Col. Soc., Andover; Preston Cummings, Leicester; William T. Sleeper, Chaplain State Reform School, Westboro'; S. C. Kendall, Webster; Charles F. Morse, Missionary of Am. Board, Northern Armenia.—S.

N. W. Williams, Shrewsbury, Scribe and (acting) Statistical Scribe.

28. WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Settled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admitted 1856.			Removed 1856.				Baptisms.		Sabbath
				Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	School.
Ashburnham,	April 23, 1760	Vacant,		74	107	181	29	7	2	9	2	2	0	4	3	1	150
" North,	Feb. 21, 1843	*J. J. Woodbury,	Stated supply.	14	16	30	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43
Athol,	Aug. 29, 1750	John F. Norton,	March 17, 1852	51	132	183	13	0	2	2	2	0	0	2	0	4	175
Gardner, 1st ch.	Sept. 7, 1786	John C. Paine,	Jan. 12, 1848	31	53	84	3	7	4	11	0	2	0	2	3	3	190
" Evan. ch.	Aug. 11, 1830	Abijah Stowell,	Stated supply.	43	95	138	20	0	3	3	0	2	0	2	0	1	200
Hubbardston,	Feb. 14, 1776	Cyrus W. Allen,	Dec. 29, 1852	42	112	154	30	2	5	7	2	6	0	8	0	1	130
New Salem,	Aug. 15, 1845	Erastus Curtiss,	Stated supply.	9	29	38	5	9	2	11	1	2	0	3	8	0	40
Petersham,	June 25, 1823	Charles Kendall,	Stated supply.	29	80	109	16	5	8	13	3	2	0	5	4	1	150
Phillipston,	Nov. 16, 1785	Samuel W. Barnum,	Jan. 1, 1856	58	126	184	51	0	2	2	1	10	0	11	0	4	175
Royalston, 1st ch.	Oct. 13, 1766	Ebenezer W. Bullard,	Sept 2, 1852	44	83	129	12	2	0	2	3	6	0	9	1	1	150
" South,	Feb. 22, 1837	J. W. Healy,	Stated supply.	37	81	118	18	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	120
Templeton,	April 11, 1832	Lewis Sabin,	Sept. 27, 1837	34	91	125	20	3	2	5	4	1	0	5	1	2	170
Westminster,	Oct. 20, 1744	Marcus Ames,	May 1, 1856	78	185	263	22	2	5	7	2	15	0	17	1	6	235
Winchendon, 1st ch.	Dec. 16, 1762	Benjamin F. Clarke,	Oct. 24, 1855	24	36	60	22	1	2	3	2	3	0	5	0	0	72
" North,	Dec. 7, 1843	Abijah P. Marvin,	Jan. 10, 1844	42	96	138	16	3	4	7	2	6	0	8	1	2	160
Total, 15		9 Pastors, 5 S. S.		610	1324	1934	295	41	41	82	26	57	0	83	22	26	2160

Without Pastoral Charge.—Asa Rand, Josiah D. Crosby, E. G. Little, Ashburnham.—3.

*Not a member of the Association.

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SUMMARY.

Associations.	Ministers.—July 1857.				Churches.		Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.				Admissions in 1856.			Removals in 1856.				Baptisms.		Sab.
	Past.	St. sup.	Wt. ch.	Total.	Vac.	Total.	Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Total.	Death.	Dis.	Exc.	Total.	Adults.	Infants	Sch.
Andover,	13	1	8	22	5	20	1326	2698	4024	1156	114	128	242	33	131	4	168	60	66	3436
Berkshire North,	10	2	11	23	3	16	528	811	2286	644	43	44	87	49	50	1	100	13	45	1488
Berkshire South,	11	3	6	20	4	17	746	1639	2385	550	96	44	140	48	83	0	131	40	52	1828
Brewster,	10	3	6	19	2	15	374	877	1251	121	34	6	40	35	6	14	56	9	24	1500
Bridgewater,	6	0	3	9	1	7	199	402	601	91	6	0	6	14	7	0	20	3	8	641
Brookfield,	17	1	0	18	1	18	856	1823	2679	430	77	54	131	46	82	2	130	39	57	3057
Essex North,	21	2	7	30	2	22	901	2129	3030	305	67	41	108	56	31	2	89	26	69	2987
Essex South,	17	0	2	19	3	18	760	1991	2751	293	60	30	90	65	33	43	141	28	41	3411
Franklin,	18	5	4	27	6	29	875	1762	2637	297	109	81	190	53	91	7	151	54	62	2991
Hampden East,	14	2	7	23	3	17	774	1773	2567	486	81	130	211	40	136	10	186	32	68	2149
Hampden West,	10	4	2	16	3	17	525	1084	1609	230	40	112	152	25	120	3	148	14	33	1707
Hampshire,	14	2	3	19	3	19	1201	1971	3172	378	39	39	78	60	68	2	130	15	62	2946
Hampshire East,	14	0	8	22	2	16	983	1881	2864	453	72	63	135	56	75	0	131	29	50	2129
Harmony,	9	2	4	15	1	12	654	1469	2123	364	43	36	79	30	51	3	84	21	38	2577
Mendon,	10	3	12	25	2	15	520	1411	1931	236	47	39	86	38	43	2	83	20	45	2176
Middlesex South,	11	2	5	18	2	15	594	1350	1944	230	42	48	90	33	27	1	61	19	41	2249
Middlesex Union,	7	4	4	15	4	15	748	1430	2238	363	47	45	92	45	69	8	122	20	30	2396
Norfolk,	27	2	3	32	3	32	1039	2286	3409	310	77	114	191	77	97	13	187	39	71	4222
Old Colony,	11	1	5	17	2	14	507	1305	1812	281	20	47	67	29	27	4	60	11	18	1974
Pilgrim,	5	2	4	11	4	11	305	608	913	80	31	14	45	16	5	1	22	8	17	1151
Salem,	10	3	2	15	1	14	484	1435	1919	133	61	22	83	30	13	13	56	27	37	2424
Suffolk North,	16	0	15	31	2	17	1114	2521	3635	503	79	143	222	47	145	1	193	37	99	4130
Suffolk South,	16	2	10	28	3	21	1487	3192	4679	870	190	183	373	58	195	7	260	60	117	5130
Taunton,	9	2	4	15	3	14	626	1443	2069	340	190	56	246	43	43	4	90	98	64	2195
Vineyard Sound,	4	3	0	7	5	12	274	587	861	52	7	8	15	19	4	0	23	2	20	789
Woburn,	12	4	5	20	2	17	697	1496	2193	311	31	60	91	28	67	2	97	11	50	2461
Worcester Central,	19	0	8	27	2	20	1350	2790	4140	587	104	82	186	82	93	8	183	38	60	3883
Worcester North,	9	5	2	16	1	15	610	1324	1934	295	41	41	82	26	57	0	83	22	26	2160
Total, 28	350	60	150	560	75	475	21,057	45,548	67,656	10,389	1,848	1,710	3,558	1,181	1,849	155	3,185	735	1,370	70,157

REMARKS.

Our tables this year, for the first time, embrace reports from *every church* connected with the General Association of Massachusetts,—for which, credit is due to the District-Statistical Scribes for carrying out faithfully the plan of 1856. It is also a matter for congratulation that the Statistics now presented are unexampled as to fulness and completeness. Three Associations (Middlesex Union, Suffolk South, and Worcester North,) present tables complete in every particular; fifteen other Associations do virtually the same thing, being defective only in certain months and days of dates, most of which are irretrievably lost through age; and in the remaining Associations the only defects are these;—One church omits "deaths," five omit "absentees," (one of which also is wanting as to "adult baptisms,") one omits "baptisms," two neglect to specify "males" and "females," and one omits "Sabbath school."

On the 1st January 1857, there were 472 Massachusetts churches in connection with the General Association, (embracing all of our denomination but four.) The aggregate reports of these churches may be seen on the preceding page, where, although 475 churches are enumerated, only the 472 in existence Jan. 1, are included in the statistics as to membership in the parallel columns. Two of the 472 were organized in 1856.

A comparison of these numbers with those of the preceding year (after supplying last year's defects from this year's data, and omitting the New York and the extinct churches,) show the following results:

	Churches.	Members.	Additions.	Removals.	Sabbath School.
Jan. 1, 1856,	470	68,082	4,234	2,973	66,862
Jan. 1, 1857,	472	67,656	3,558	3,185	70,187

*The apparent *loss* in membership is, by the aggregates, 426; and at the same time, by excess of additions over removals, the apparent *gain* is 373;—a discrepancy exhibiting melancholy proof that the next step needed in improving our statistics is *accuracy* in individual churches.

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*The following notice is inserted by request:

Any information respecting feeble churches needing more aid, or destitute towns where churches may and ought to be gathered, or any facts or information whatever having a Home Missionary aspect or bearing on the religious necessities of the State, it is requested, may be addressed as early as convenient, to the chairman of the Committee appointed as on page 7,—Rev. Joseph A. Copp, Chelsea, Mass.

Our list of churches and ministers is, for convenience's sake, corrected up to the time of printing. But taking June 1 as a convenient starting point,—there were in 1857, 475 churches upon the list, being the same in number as in June 1856; the lists vary, however, in the following particulars:

1. As to churches. Three churches are this year dropped as extinct, viz. Ludlow 2d, Grass Hill in Millbury, and Millville in Blackstone; and two others, although names are retained, are not included in our aggregates, because situated in New York. On the other hand, the church in Stowe, improperly dropped since 1853 is replaced, and four new churches are inserted, which have been organized as follows:—Winthrop church in East Randolph, organized Dec. 30, 1856; Plymouth church in Chelsea, Jan. 7, 1857; Vine St. church in Roxbury, April 9, 1857; and a church in Needham, May 6, 1857,—none of which except the first named, come into our Summary so far as *membership* is concerned.

2. As to pastors. There were June 1, 1856, (by last year's minutes corrected,) 354 pastors (not including one in New York); of these, 45 have been dismissed and 2 have died; and 41 have been settled; making the number June 1, 1857, 348. During the *preceding* year, 60 pastors were dismissed, 4 died, and 44 were settled.

The column of ministers "without pastoral charge" is liable to mislead in two particulars. (1.) It by no means includes all our clergymen who would come under that designation. (2.) It includes a large number engaged in ministerial pursuits. Thus even in the defective returns presented, we find 16 Secretaries of Missionary and other religious benevolent Societies, 4 professors at Andover, 2 presidents and 5 professors in Colleges, 5 agents of Societies or Institutions, 5 persons known to be in pastoral service in other States, 3 chaplains or city missionaries, 5 missionaries in foreign lands, besides numerous others engaged in State or private educational pursuits. An effort will be made next year to correct this list in both particulars.

In connection with our first complete report, the following tables of "Orthodox Congregational Churches and Members in Massachusetts," are inserted for historical reference. While no pretence of perfectness is made, yet having been compiled with great care, not only from our published minutes but from whatever documents could throw light upon this obscure subject, and having been repeatedly verified, they are presented as the best our poor authorities will allow:

I. Before the Unitarian division:

Dates,	1630	1640	1650	1700	1750
Churches,	2	26	39	83	239

II. During the times of separating,—in which those which have avowed themselves Unitarian are considered as such at the date first mentioned:

Dates,		1790	1800	1810	1820	1825
Churches,	Orthodox,	249	267	281	291	310
	Unitarian,	75	76	80	89	95

III. Since the separation:

Dates,	1830	1835	1840	1845	1850	1855	1856	1857
Churches,	347	387	408	440	469	471	474	476
Members,	37,987	49,089	62,513	65,467	66,346	69,011	68,515	68,089

The following table, digested from our heterogeneous Associational statistics, and including *all* the churches of our denomination in the State, will show the numbers of churches, etc., for 1857, *by counties;* the gain or loss is estimated from the excess of additions over removals:

Counties.	Population 1855.	Chhs.	Membership.	Per cent. of memb. to population.	Gain 1856.	Loss 1856.
Barnstable,	35,442	24	2,026	.058	—	22
Berkshire,	52,791	33	4,671	.088	—	4
Bristol,	87,425	24	3,224	.037	169	—
Dukes,	4,401	4	186	.042	—	1
Essex,	151,167	62	9,570	.063	33	—
Franklin,	31,655	32	2,923	.092	42	—
Hampden,	54,852	34	4,276	.078	25	—
Hampshire,	35,485	37	6,291	.177	—	36
Middlesex,	194,082	68	10,066	.051	172	—
Nantucket,	8,064	1	325	.040	—	8
Norfolk,	94,448	38	4,471	.046	18	—
Plymouth,	61,513	34	3,196	.052	—	5
Suffolk,	171,818	16	5,281	.030	10	—
Worcester,	149,545	69	11,583	.077	—	20
Total,	1,132,688	476	68,089	.060	Net gain,	373

There appear to be no Orthodox Congregational churches in the following towns, viz., Bellingham, Bolton, Brewster, Cheshire, Clarksburg, Duxbury, Florida, Hancock, Hull, Leyden, Lexington, Monroe, Mt. Washington, Nahant, New Ashford, Pembroke, Russell, Savoy, Somerset, South Scituate, Tyngsboro', Tyringham, Wales, Weston, Westport, Winthrop.

In this issue various improvements have been made by the printer, the Publishing Committee, and in the statistical department. Any person suggesting further improvements or discovering errors, is requested to communicate with the Statistical Secretary. A. H. Q.

NAMES OF CLERGYMEN,

Arranged in alphabetical order, with the Post-Office address of each, and with the number of the Association in which each name occurs in the statistics.

Abbot Jacob J., Uxbridge. 14
Abbot Joseph, Beverly. 21
Adams Darwin, Dunstable. 1
Adams George M., Conway. 9
Adams Nehemiah, D. D., Boston. 23
Albro John A., D. D., Cambridge. 22
Alden Ebenezer, Jr., Marshfield. 20
Alden Edmund K, Lenox. 3
Allen Benj. R., Marblehead. 21
Allen Cyrus W., Hubbardston. 28
Allen Ephraim W., Salem. 8
Allen Henry, Wayland. 16
Allen William, Dracut. 1
Alvord John W., Newton. 23
Ames Marcus, Westminster. 28
Anderson Rufus, D. D., Boston. 22
Angier Luther H., Concord. 16
Ashley S. S., Northboro'. 27
Atwood Edward S., Grantville. 23
Austin H. A., Huntington. 12
Ayres Rowland, Hadley. 13

Babcock Daniel H., South Plymouth. 20
Bacon Elisha, Centerville. 25
Bacon James M., Essex. 8
Badger Milton, D. D., New York. 1
Baker A. R., West Needham. 16.
Baldwin Joseph B., West Cummington. 12
Ballard Josiah, Plympton. 20
Bannister S. W., Ware. 6
Barbour Nelson, Cummington. 12
Bardwell Horatio, Oxford. 27
Barney James O., Seekonk. 24
Barnum Samuel W., Phillipston. 28
Barrows Elijah P., Andover. 1
Barrows Homer, Wareham. 19
Barrows William, Reading. 22
Barton F. A., Indian Orchard. 10
Bates E. D., Southboro'. 16
Bates James, Granby. 13.

Bates William, Northbridge. 14
Beaman Warren H., North Hadley. 13
Beardsley Bronson B., Shirley. 17
Beckwith George C., D. D., Boston. 22
Beecher Lyman, D. D., Boston. 23
Beecher William H., North Brookfield. 6
Bennett Joseph L., East Cambridge. 22
Bigelow Andrew, Medfield. 15
Billings Richard S., Shelburne. 9
Bingham Joel S., Westfield. 11
Bisbee John H., Worthington. 12
Biscoe Thomas C., Grafton. 14
Blagden George W., D. D., Boston. 22
Blake Henry B., Belchertown. 13
Blake Mortimer, Taunton. 24
Blanchard Amos, D. D., Lowell. 1
Blanchard N. B., Plymouth. 20
Blanchard W. S. 10
Bliss Seth, Boston. 22
Bliss Thomas E., Blackstone. 14, 24
Blodgett Constantine, Pawtucket. 24
Blodgett Edward P., Greenwich. 13
Bodwell Joseph C., Framingham. 16
Boynton Charles B., Pittsfield. 2
Bowers John, Wilbraham. 10
Bradford James, Sheffield. 3
Bragg Jesse K., Brookfield. 6
Brainard Timothy G., Halifax. 20
Braman Isaac, Georgetown. 7
Braman Milton P., D. D., Danvers Centre. 21
Bremner David, Rockport. 8
Bridge Henry M., Warwick. 9
Briggs Isaac, North Rochester. 19
Briggs William T., Princeton. 27
Brigham David, Bridgewater. 5
Brigham John C., D. D., New York. 3
Brigham Levi, Saugus. 21
Brigham Willard, Ashfield 9
Brooks Edward F., Gill. 9
Brown J. R., Longmeadow. 10

Buckingham Samuel G., Springfield. 10
Bullard Asa, Boston. 24
Bullard Ebenezer W., Royalston. 28
Bulkley Edwin A., Groton. 17
Burdett M., Philadelphia, Pa. 14
Burt Daniel C., Berkley. 19
Burt David, Rutland. 27
Bushnell George, Worcester. 27
Bushnell William, Newton Corner. 22
Butler Daniel, Groton. 17
Byington Swift, West Brookfield. 6

Cady Daniel R., West Cambridge. 26
Campbell Randolph, Newburyport. 7
Carlton Hiram, West Barnstable. 25
Carpenter Eber, Southbridge. 6
Carver Robert, Raynham. 24
Chandler Azariah, D. D., Greenfield. 9
Chapman Calvin, Lakeville. 5
Chase Ebenezer, Eastham. 4
Childs A. C., Amesbury. 7
Chute Ariel P., Lynnfield. 21
Clapp Erastus, Easthampton. 12
Clapp S. G., Sturbridge. 6
Clark Benjamin F., North Chelmsford. 1
Clark Dorus, Waltham. 22
Clark Edward W., Auburndale. 22, 26
Clark Eli B., Chicopee. 10
Clark Elias, Mankato, Blue Earth Co., Minnesota. 3
Clark James A., Southwick. 11
Clark Jonas B., Swampscott. 21
Clark Joseph S., D. D., Boston. 23
Clark Lewis F., Whitinsville. 14
Clark Nelson, Quincy. 18
Clark Perkins K., South Deerfield. 9
Clark Sereno D., Sunderland. 9
Clark Solomon, Canton. 23
Clark Theodore J., Cummington. 12
Clarke Benjamin F., Winchendon. 28
Clarke Edward, Ashfield. 9
Clary T. F., Ashland. 16
Cleaveland James B., South Egremont. 3
Cleaveland John P., D. D., Lowell. 1
Cloyes D., South Reading. 26
Cobb Alvan, Taunton. 24
Cobb Asahel, Sandwich. 25
Cobb Leander, Marion. 19
Cobb Nathaniel, Kingston. 19
Coggin William S., Boxford. 21
Cogswell Nathaniel, Carver. 4
Colburn Moses M., South Dedham. 23
Colton Aaron M., East Hampton. 12
Colton T. G., Monson. 10
Cone L. H., Chicopee. 10
Cook Elisha W., Haydenville. 12
Cook Russell S., New York. 2
Cooke Parsons, D. D., Lynn. 21
Cooley Henry, Springfield. 11
Cooley Timothy M., D. D., Granville. 11
Coolidge A. H., Leicester. 27
Copp Joseph A., Chelsea. 22
Cordley Christopher M., Randolph. 18
Cory John E., Chesterfield. 12
Cornell William M., Boston. 22
Couch Paul, North Bridgewater. 18
Cowles John P., Ipswich. 7
Craig Wheelock, New Bedford. 19
Crosby Josiah D., Ashburnham. 28
Cross Joseph W., West Boylston. 27
Cummings Preston, Leicester. 27
Curtiss Erastus, New Salem. 28
Cushing Christopher, North Brookfield. 6
Cushing James R., East Taunton. 24
Cushman Job, North Truro. 4
Cutler Ebenezer, Worcester. 27

Dagget Thomas, Groveland. 7
Dana J. Jay, Adams. 2
Dashiell Alfred H., Jr., Stockbridge. 3
Davis Emerson, D. D., Westfield. 11
Davis Franklin, North Wrentham. 15
Davis Timothy, Kingston. 20
Demond Elijah, Mendon. 15
Denham George, Barre. 4, 27
Dennen Stephen R., Watertown. 23
Dexter Henry M., Boston. 23
Dickinson Erastus, Sudbury. 16
Dickinson Noadiah S., Chatham. 4
Dimmick Luther F., D. D., Newburyport. 7
Dixon William E., Ellington, Ct. 10
Dodd S. G., Spencer. 6
Dodge John, Harvard. 17
Doe Franklin B., Lancaster. 17
Dole George T., Lanesboro'. 2, 26
Dow E., Monument. 25
Dowse Edmund, Sherburne. 16
Drummond Joseph P., West Newton. 23
Duncan A. G., Freetown. 18, 24
Duncan T. W., Chilmark. 25
Durfee Calvin, Williamstown. 2
Dwight Edward S., Amherst. 13
Dwight John, North Wrentham. 15
Dwinell Israel E., Salem. 8
Dyer E. Porter, Hingham. 18

Eastman David, Leverett. 13
Eastman L. Root, Berkley. 18
Edgell John Q. A., Andover. 7
Edwards Henry L., Abington. 18
Eldridge Azariah. 19
Elwood David M., Norwalk, Ct. 16
Ely Alfred, D. D., Monson. 10
Emerson Brown, Montague. 9
Emerson Brown, D. D., Salem. 8
Emerson Edward B., Heath. 9
Emerson Reuben, South Reading. 8, 26
Emery Joshua, North Weymouth. 18

Farwell Asa, Haverhill. 7
Ferguson John, Whately. 9
Field David, D. D., Stockbridge. 3
Field George W., Boston. 23
Field Levi A., Marlboro'. 16
Fisher Caleb E., Andover. 1
Fisher George E., North Amherst. 13
Fisk Frederick A., East Marshfield. 20
Fiske Daniel T., Newburyport. 7
Fitz Daniel, Ipswich. 8
Flagg Horatio, Coleraine. 9
Fletcher James, North Danvers. 8
Folsom G. D. F., Springfield. 10
Ford George, East Falmouth. 25
Foster Aaron, East Charlemont. 9
Foster Andrew B., Gill. 9
Foster Davis, West Newbury. 7
Foster Eden B., Lowell. 1
Foster Roswell, Westhampton. 12
Freeman Joseph, Hanover. 20
Frost Daniel D., West Stockbridge 3
Furber Daniel L., Newton Centre. 22

Gale Nahum, Lee. 3
Gale Wakefield, Rockport. 8
Galpin Charles. 13
Gannet Allen W., Boston. 21.
Gannett George, West Cambridge. 26
Garland Joseph, Acton. 17
Garrette Edmund Y., Foxboro'. 15
Gay Ebenezer, Bridgewater. 5
Gibson Hugh, Chester. 11
Giddings Edward J., Honsatonic. 3
Gilbert Lyman, D. D., Boston. 22
Gilman Edward W., Cambridgeport. 22
Goodsell Dana. 13
Gould William. 19
Greeley Stephen S. N., Grand Rapids, Michigan. 3
Greene Henry S., Ballard Vale. 1
Griffin N. H., Williamstown. 2
Grosvenor Charles P., Rehoboth. 24
Gurney John H.. New Braintree. 6

Hall Gordon, Northampton. 12
Hall Thomas A., Otis. 3
Hammond Charles, Groton. 17
Hanks Steadman W., Lowell. 1
Harding John W., Longmeadow. 10
Harding Sewall, Boston. 15
Harding Willard M., South Weymouth. 18
Harrington Eli W., Rochester. 19
Harrington Moody, Middlefield. 12
Harrison Samuel, Pittsfield. 2
Haskell John, Dover. 15
Haven John, Charlton. 6
Haven Joseph, Amherst. 16
Hawks Roswell, South Hadley. 13
Hawks Theron H., West Springfield. 11
Hazen T. A., Dalton. 2
Headley P. C., Greenfield. 9
Healey J. W., Linebrook, Ipswich. 7, 28.
Herbert Charles D., West Newbury. 7
Hine S., Groton, Ct. 10
Hinsdale Charles J., Blandford. 11
Hitchcock Calvin, D. D., Wrentham. 15
Hitchcock Edward, D. D., Amherst. 13
Hill George E , Sheffield. 3
Hixon Asa, Franklin. 15
Hoadley L. Ives, Auburn. 27
Hodgman Edwin R., Lynnfield Centre. 8
Holbrook Willard, Rowley. 7
Holman David, Douglas. 14
Holman Sydney, Holyoke. 14
Holmes Franklin, Norton. 24
Homes Francis, West Granville. 11
Hooker Henry B., Falmouth. 25
Hopkins Mark, D. D , Williamstown. 2
Hopley Samuel, Wellfleet. 4
Hoppin James M., Salem. 8
Hosford Benjamin F., Haverhill. 7
Hosford Isaac, Worcester. 1
Houghton James C., East Windsor, Ct. 10
Houghton William A., Berlin. 27
Hovey George L., Greenfield. 9
Howard Martin S., West Yarmouth. 4
Howland Freeman P., Abington. 20
Hull Joseph D., Somerville. 26
Humphrey Heman, D. D., Pittsfield. 2
Hunt Samuel, Franklin. 15
Huntington Daniel, New London, Ct. 18

Ide Jacob, D. D., West Medway. 15
Ide Jacob, Jr., Mansfield. 15

Jackson Samuel C., D. D., Andover. 1
Jackson William C., Lincoln. 16
James Horace, Worcester. 27
Jessup Lewis, Millbury. 14
Johnson Amos H., Middleton. 8
Johnson Joseph B., South Reading. 26
Jones Thomas N., North Reading. 26
Jenks William, D. D., Boston. 22
Jenkins Jonathan L., Lowell. 1
Judkins Benjamin, Somerville. 22

Keep John, Dana. 6
Kellogg Elijah, Boston. 23
Kendall Charles, Petersham. 28
Kendall S. C., Webster. 27
Kimball Caleb, Medway. 15
Kimball David T., Ipswich. 7, 8
Kimball James, Oakham. 6
King Jonathan, Abington. 20
Kingman Matthew, Charlemont. 9
Kirk Edward N., Boston. 23
Kittredge C. B., Monson. 10
Knight Richard, South Hadley Falls. 10

Lamphear Orpheus T. 1
Langworthy Isaac P., Chelsea. 22
Laurie Thomas, West Roxbury. 23
Lawrence John, Carlisle. 26
Leonard Edwin, Milton. 18
Lewis Wales, Haverhill. 7
Lincoln I. N., Williamstown. 2
Little E. G., Ashburnham. 28
Livingston Charles, Mattapoisett. 19
Lombard Otis, Southfield. 3
Longley Moses M., Peru. 2
Loomis Elihu, Littleton. 17
Loomis Wilbur F., Shelburne. 9
Lord Charles, Whately. 9
Lothrop Charles D., Attleboro'. 21
Luce Leonard, Boxboro'. 17
Lyman George, Sutton. 14
Lyman S., Easthampton. 12

M'Clure A. W., New York. 22
McCollom, James T., Bradford. 7
McCollom William A., Manhattan, Kansas 4
McEwen Robert, Enfield. 13
McLoud Anson, Topsfield. 21
Maltby Erastus, Taunton. 24
Mandell William A., Lunenburg. 17
Manning Jacob M., Boston. 22
Marsh Daniel, Woburn. 26
Marsh Christopher, Jamaica Plain. 23
Marsh Dwight W., Mosul, Turkey. 2
Marvin Abijah P., Winchendon. 28
Marvin Elihu P., Medford. 26
Maynard Joshua L., East Douglas. 14
Means James, Andover. 17
Means James H., Dorchester. 18
Means John O., Roxbury. 15, 23
Merrick James L., South Amherst. 13
Merrill James H., West Andover. 1
Miles James B., Charlestown. 22
Miller Rodney A., Worcester. 27
Miller Simeon, Holyoke. 11
Miller William, Sterling. 27
Mills Charles L., North Bridgewater. 18
Mills Henry, Granby. 13
Moody Eli, Erving. 9
Moore George, Andover. 1
Mordough John H., Hamilton. 8
Morgridge Charles, Harwich Port. 4
Morley S. B., West Attleboro'. 24
Morse Charles F., Northern Armenia. 27
Morse Jason, Brimfield. 6
Munger Theodore T., Dorchester Village. 18
Morton Alpha, Assabet. 17
Munroe Nathan, Bradford. 7
Murphy E. D., Springfield. 10
Murray James O., South Danvers. 8
Myrick Osborne, Provincetown. 4

Nash John A., New York. 13
Nason Elias, Natick. 16
Nelson John, D. D., Leicester. 27
Nevin Edwin H., Chelsea. 15, 22
Nickerson A. S., North Woburn. 26
Noble Edward W., Truro. 4
Northrop B. G., Saxonville. 16
Norton John F., Athol. 28
Norwood Francis. 11
Nott Samuel, Jr., Wareham. 19

Orcutt John, Hartford, Ct. 14
Ordway Samuel, North Beverly. 21
Oliphant David, Andover. 1
Osgood Samuel, D. D., Springfield. 10

Packard Abel K., Yarmouth. 4
Packard Charles, North Middleboro'. 5
Paine Albert, North Adams. 2
Paine John C., Gardner. 28
Paine William P., D. D., Holden. 27
Park Calvin E., West Boxford. 7
Park Edwards A., D. D., Andover. 22
Park Harrison G., Bernardston. 9
Parker Henry W., New Bedford. 19
Parker Leonard S., Haverhill. 7
Parsons H. M., Springfield. 10
Parsons John U., Ogden, Kansas. 4
Patrick Henry J., Bedford. 26
Patrick Joseph H., South Wellfleet. 4, 13
Patten Abel, Burlington. 26
Peabody Charles, North Pownal, Vt. 2
Pennell Lewis, West Stockbridge Centre. 3
Peirce Willard, North Abington. 18
Perkins A. E. P., Ware. 6
Perkins Frederick T., Williamsburgh. 12
Perkins H W. .K, Medford. 26
Perkins Jonas, Weymouth. 18
Perry Gardner B., D. D., Groveland. 7
Perry Ralph, Agawam. 11
Perry T. C., Windsor. 2
Peters Absalom, D. D., Williamstown. 2
Phelps Austin, D. D., Andover. 23
Phelps Winthrop H., Monterey. 3
Phillips John C., Methuen. 1
Phillips L. R , Sharon. 18
Phipps William, Paxton. 27
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Poor Daniel J , Gorham, Me. 15
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Prince John M., Georgetown. 7
Putnam Israel W., D. D., Middleboro'. 5

Quint Alonzo H., Jamaica Plain. 23

Rand Asa, Ashburnham. 28
Raymond Stetson, Bridgewater. 5
Reed Andrew H., Mendon. 15
Reed Frederick A., Cohasset. 18
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Rich Alonzo B., Beverly. 8
Richards George, Boston. 22
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Robinson Reuben T., Winchester. 26
Rockwood Samuel L., Hanson. 18
Rood Thomas H., Goshen. 12
Ropes William L., Wrentham. 15
Russell Ezekiel, East Randolph. 18

Sabin Lewis, Templeton. 28
Sanders Marshall D., Ceylon. 2
Sanford Baalis, East Bridgewater. 5
Sanford David, Medway. 15
Sanford Enoch, Raynham. 5
Sandford John, Taunton. 24
Sanford William H., Boylston. 27
Sawyer Benjamin, Salisbury. 7
Seabury Edwin. 8
Searle Richard T., New Marlboro'. 3
Seeley R. H., Springfield. 10
Sessions Alexander J., Melrose. 26
Sewall Jotham B., Lynn. 21
Sewall Samuel, Burlington. 26
Seymour C. N., Whately. 12
Seymour Henry, Hawley. 9
Shedd W. G. T., Andover. 7
Sheldon Luther, D. D., Easton. 18
Sheldon Luther H., Westboro'. 14
Sleeper William T., Worcester. 27
Smith Edward P., Pepperell. 17
Smith Asa B., Buckland. 9
Smith Charles, Boston. 23
Smith John D., Berkley. 24
Smith Matson M., Brookline. 23
Smith Stephen S., Warren. 6
Snell Thomas, D. D., North Brookfield. 6
Snow Porter H., Baltimore, Md. 10
Southgate Robert, Ipswich. 7, 8
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Spear Charles V., Pittsfield. 16
Stearns Jesse G. D., Billerica. 26
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Stone Andrew L., Boston. 23
Stone Cyrus, Boston. 4
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Stone Timothy D. P., Norwich, Conn. 15
Storrs Richard S., D. D., Braintree. 18
Stowe Timothy, New Bedford. 19
Stowell Abijah, Gardner. 28
Strong David A., South Deerfield. 9
Strong Stephen C., Southampton. 12
Sturtevant William H., South Dennis. 4
Swallow Joseph E., Nantucket. 19
Sweetser Seth, D. D., Worcester. 27
Swift Edward Y., South Hadley. 13

Tappan Benjamin, Jr., Charlestown. 22
Tarbox Increase N., Framingham. 16
Tarlton Joseph, North Chelsea. 21
Tatlock John, Williamstown. 2
Taylor John L., Andover. 1
Taylor Rufus, Manchester. 8
Teele Albert K., Milton. 18
Tenney Daniel, Brighton. 23
Tenney Francis V., Byfield. 7
Terry James P., South Weymouth. 18
Thacher Isaiah C., Middleboro'. 19
Thayer Joseph, South Franklin. 15
Thayer William M., Franklin. 16
Thompson Augustus C., Roxbury. 23
Thompson Leander, West Amesbury. 7
Thompson Otis, North Abington. 5
Thurston Eli, Fall River. 24
Thurston R. B., Chicopee. 10
Timlow A. R., Newburyport. 7
Tisdale James, Shutesbury. 9
Todd John, D. D., Pittsfield. 2
Tolman Richard, Tewksbury. 1
Tolman Samuel H., Wilmington. 26
Tracy Joseph, Beverly. 21
Trask George, Fitchburg. 17
Treat Selah B., Boston. 23
Tuck J. W., Ludlow. 10
Tucker Joshua T., Holliston. 15
Tupper Martyn, Hardwick. 6
Tyler William, Pawtucket. 13
Tyler W. H., Elizabethtown, N. J. 2

Uhler George, Curtisville, Stockbridge. 3
Utley Samuel, Hudson, N. Y. 3

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Walker Horace D., East Abington. 18
Walker J. B. R., Holyoke. 11
Walker Townsend, Chester Village. 11
Ward S. D., Feeding Hills. 11
Waterbury Jared B., D. D., Boston. 22
Webster, John C., Hopkinton. 16
Wellman Joshua W., Newton Corner. 23
Wells John H., Kingston, R. I. 4
Wheaton Levi, Gloucester. 8
Wheeler M. G., South Dartmouth. 19

White Isaac C., North Abington, 18
White Jacob, Orleans. 4
White Lyman, Easton. 18
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Whitmore Zolva, Chester. 3, 11
Whitney John, Waltham. 22
Wight Daniel, Jr., North Scituate. 18
Wilcox Philo B., East Bridgewater. 18
Willcox G. B., Lawrence. 1
Willcox William H., Reading. 26
Wilder H. A., South Africa. 2
Wilder Moses H., Harwich. 4
Willard Andrew J., Upton. 14
Willard John, Fairhaven. 19
Williams N. W., Shrewsbury. 27
Williams Thomas, Providence, R. I. 15
Wilson Thomas, Stoughton. 18
Winchester Warren W., Clinton. 27
Winslow Hubbard, Geneva, N. Y. 22
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Wood Francis, Holland. 6
Wood Charles W., Ashby. 17
Woodbury J. J., North Ashburnham. 28
Woodbury James T., Milford. 15
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FORM OF SCHEDULE.

Each Clergyman in connection with the General Association (or Clerk of a vacant church) is requested to report the Statistics of his church for the year 1857, to the Statistical Scribe of his Association on or before Jan. 10 next, according to the schedule below,—observing the following points:—"Absent" members are those who reside and worship in other places than that of their church; they are to be *included* in the "total." Wherever "none" is the appropriate designation, *write it out in full.* Leave no blanks whatever; a blank constitutes a defective report. "Sabbath School" includes *all* teachers and pupils. Write out names fully, correctly, and legibly. The report is to cover the year 1857, and not a day before or after.

It will be noticed that a new column is inserted, viz., *date of ministerial ordination*, whose value for biographical purposes is instantly evident. It is also intended to make the issue of 1858, the *standard* as to *dates of church organization.* Each is requested therefore to ascertain the date of his church's organization from *original sources* and to add to his report the *authority* on which the date is given; this once well done (which it is not now,) is done forever.

Church.	Organized.	Minister.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms		Sab.
					Males	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.

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MINUTES.

The General Association of Massachusetts assembled in the Second Congregational Church in Dorchester, on Tuesday, June 22, 1858, at 4 o'clock, P. M. The delegates were called to order by Rev. James H. Means; and Rev. Edwin A. Bulkley was appointed Scribe, *pro tem.*

The following clergymen presented certificates of their election as Delegates from District Associations, and were enrolled as members:—

Andover,—David Oliphant, Caleb E. Fisher.
Berkshire North,—Moses M. Longley, John Jay Dana.
Berkshire South,—Nahum Gale.
Brewster,—Abel K. Packard, Martin S. Howard.
Brookfield,—Stephen S. Smith, Stephen G. Dodd.
Essex North,—James T. McCollom, Leonard S. Parker.
Essex South,—Ephraim W. Allen, James M. Bacon.
Franklin,—Matthew Kingman, Sereno D. Clark.
Hampden East,—Richard B. Thurston, Jeremy W. Tuck.
Hampden West,—Joel S. Bingham.
Hampshire,—*None.*
Hampshire East,—Edward P. Blodget, David Eastman.
Harmony,—Thomas C. Biscoe, Joshua L. Maynard.
Mendon,—James T. Woodbury, Andrew H. Reed.
Middlesex South,—Erastus Dickinson, Levi A. Field.
Middlesex Union,—Edwin A. Bulkley.
Norfolk,—Philo B. Wilcox, Nelson Clark.
Old Colony,—Melancthon G. Wheeler, Wheelock Craig.

Plymouth,—Timothy G. Brainerd, Baalis Sanford. [See p. 6.]
Salem,—Joseph Tracy, Jotham B. Sewall.
Suffolk North,—George W. Blagden, D. D., James B. Miles.
Suffolk South,—Henry M. Dexter, Joshua W. Wellman.
Taunton,—Samuel Woodbury, Robert Carver.
Vineyard Sound,—Thomas W. Duncan, Ebenezer Burgess.
Woburn,—Alexander J. Sessions.
Worcester Central,—Wm. H. Sanford, Seth Sweetser, D. D.
Worcester North,—Lewis Sabin, D. D., Cyrus W. Allen.
Also, Mass. Home Miss. Soc.,—Henry B. Hooker, D. D.
And ex-officiis,—James H. Means, and Alonzo H. Quint.

The following, who had represented the Association in corresponding bodies during the past year, were enrolled as Honorary Members:

John H. Bisbee, delegate to General Association of New Hampshire.

Christopher Cushing, delegate to General Association of Connecticut and Oregon.

George M. Adams, delegate to the General Conference of Maine.

And the following clergymen were elected Honorary Members:

Theodore T. Munger, of Dorchester.
Albert K. Teele, of Milton.
Thomas Pullar, of Glasgow, Scotland.
Israel E. Dwinell, of Salem.
Joseph S. Clark, D. D., of West Newton.
Joseph A. Copp, of Chelsea.
John L. Seymour, of Taylor's Falls, Minnesota.

The following clergymen were present as Delegates from Corresponding Bodies:

General Conference of Maine,—Joseph Loring.

General Association of New Hampshire,—William T. Savage.

General Convention of Vermont,—Solomon P. Giddings.

Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island,—A. Huntington Clapp.

General Association of Connecticut,—David S. Brainerd.
General Association of New York,—Jonathan Edwards.
General Conference of Ohio,—Charles W. Torrey.
General Association of Michigan,—Stephen S. N. Greeley.
General Association of Illinois,—George S. F. Savage.
Presbyterian and Congregational Convention of Wisconsin,—Samuel D. Darling.
General Association of Iowa,—John C. Holbrook.
Presbyterian General Assembly,—James W. McLane, D. D.

ORGANIZATION.

Rev. James T. Woodbury, of Milford, was chosen Moderator; Rev. Edwin A. Bulkley, of Groton, Scribe; and Rev. Ephraim W. Allen, of Salem, Assistant Scribe. In the absence of the Secretary, Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, of Jamaica Plain, was appointed Secretary *pro tem.*

Prayer was offered by the Moderator.

The Rules of the Association were read by the Secretary *pro tem.*

The following Committees were appointed:

On Nominations :—Rev. Messrs. Quint, Smith of Warren, and McCollom.

On Credentials :—Rev. Messrs. Dana, Dickinson of Sudbury, and Fisher of Andover.

On Arrangements :—Rev. Messrs. Means, Carver, and Parker of Haverhill.

On Accounts :—Rev. Messrs. Packard, and Craig.

On Narrative of the State of Religion :—Drs. Blagden, and Sabin, and Rev. Mr. Sewall of Lynn.

On Nomination of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies :—Rev. Messrs. Dexter, Smith of Warren, and Maynard.

AMENDMENT TO RULES.

Certain amendments to the Rules were proposed, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

REPORTS.

The Committee upon Credentials made a report, which was adopted.

The Committee of Arrangements reported regarding the evening service and the time of sessions for Wednesday; which report was adopted.

After prayer by Rev. Thomas Pullar of the Congregational Church of Scotland, the Association adjourned, to meet at 7½ o'clock, for divine service.

7½ *o'clock, P. M.* The Association met for public worship, when a sermon in behalf of the Home Missionary cause was preached by Rev. John Jay Dana, of South Adams, from Genesis xiii: 13; the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Daniel P. Noyes of the American Home Missionary Society. A collection was taken up, amounting to $28 00.

The Association adjourned, to meet on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock,—notice being given of a meeting for prayer at 8 o'clock.

Wednesday, A. M., 9 *o'clock.* The Association met according to adjournment,—the preceding hour having been occupied in devotional exercises. The roll was called; prayer was offered by Rev. Samuel D. Darling; and the minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

PLYMOUTH ASSOCIATION.

The Committee on Credentials reported Rev. Messrs. Timothy G. Brainerd, and Baalis Sanford as Delegates from the Plymouth Association, a new body composed of the former Pilgrim and Bridgewater Associations;—which body the Association voted to recognize, and to enrol its Delegates.

AMENDMENTS.

The Amendments to Rules ordered to a second reading were taken up and adopted as follows:

To unite Sections 4 and 5 in Article III, and amend so as to read;—

"The preachers of the Home Missionary and Associational Sermons,—the chairmen of committees attending to present reports,—the delegates, who the preceding year attended the corresponding bodies, to which they were sent, and such others, as the Association, upon recommendation of the Committee of Arrangements, may vote to admit, shall have seats as Honorary Members, and shall be allowed full liberty to take part in all deliberations, though they shall not be entitled to vote."

To insert before Section 1, Article IX;—

"At each meeting of the Association, a Committee on Credentials shall be appointed."

To insert between Sections 5 and 6, Article IX;—

"A Committee to be chosen from the several Associations in rotation, shall be appointed to prepare a Schedule of Questions for the next meeting, which they shall furnish to the Secretary, to be published with the notices of the session."

RESIGNATION, AND ELECTION OF SECRETARY.

Rev. Emerson Davis, D. D., by letter, resigned his place as Secretary of the Association. His resignation was accepted, and thanks voted to him for his long and faithful services.

Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, of Jamaica Plain, was elected Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer's Report was read and referred to the Committee on Accounts.

REPORTS OF DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

Reports of attendance in person were made by the following brethren:—

Rev. John H. Bisbee, delegate to the General Association of New Hampshire.

Rev. Christopher Cushing, delegate to the General Association of Connecticut.

Rev. George M. Adams, delegate to the General Conference of Maine.

Rev. John P. Cleveland, D. D., and Rev. John C. Paine reported by letter their attendance upon the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island.

SALUTATIONS.

The Association received salutations of delegates from Corresponding Bodies, as follows:

Rev. William T. Savage, from the General Association of New Hampshire.

Rev. David S. Brainerd, from the General Association of Connecticut.

Rev. Solomon P. Giddings, from the General Convention of Vermont.

Rev. George S. F. Savage, from the General Association of Illinois.

Rev. John C. Holbrook, from the General Association of Iowa.

Rev. A. Huntington Clapp, from the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island.

Rev. Charles W. Torrey, from the General Conference of Ohio.

Rev. Joseph Loring, from the General Conference of Maine.

Rev. Samuel D. Darling, from the Presbyterian and Congregational Convention of Wisconsin.

Rev. Stephen S. N. Greeley, from the General Association of Michigan.

Rev. James W. McLane, D. D., from the Presbyterian General Assembly.

Rev. Jonathan Edwards, from the General Association of New York.

Rev. Martin Kellogg of the General Association of California, and Rev. Reuben Gaylord of the Congregational Association of Nebraska also addressed the Association by letter.

DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

The Committee to nominate Delegates to Corresponding Bodies reported the following list, which was adopted:

To the Presbyterian General Assembly:
Primaries, Ariel E. P. Perkins, Andrew L. Stone.
Substitutes, Stephen G. Dodd, Henry M. Dexter.

To the General Conference of Maine:
Primaries, Aaron M. Colton, Thomas W. Duncan.
Substitutes, Stephen C. Strong, Reuben T. Robinson.

To the General Association of New Hampshire:
Primaries, Rowland Ayres, Ebenezer Cutler.
Substitutes, Lewis F. Clark, John F. Norton.

To the General Convention of Vermont:
Primaries, Timothy A. Hazen, Nahum Gale.
Substitutes, Edwin A. Bulkley, Edmund K. Alden.

To the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island:
Primaries, Samuel Hunt, N. H. Griffin.
Substitutes, Elias Nason, John Todd, D. D.

To the General Association of Connecticut:
Primaries, Daniel H. Babcock, Anson McLoud.
Substitutes, Josiah Ballard, Leonard S. Parker.

To the General Association of New York:
Primaries, Thomas C. Biscoe, Marcus Ames.
Substitutes, David Sanford, Richard Tolman.

To the General Conference of Ohio:
Primaries, James T. McCollom, Jonas B. Clark.
Substitutes, James M. Hoppin, James M. Bacon.

To the General Association of Illinois:
Primaries, Charles Lord, Augustus C. Thompson.
Substitutes, Jeremy W. Tuck, Mortimer Blake.

To the General Association of Michigan:
Primaries, Gordon Hall, Elihu P. Marvin.
Substitutes, Edward S. Dwight, S. S. Ashley.

To the Presbyterian and Congregational Convention of Wisconsin:
Primaries, Otis Lombard, Bronson B. Beardsley.
Substitutes, Abel K. Packard, Horace D. Walker.

To the General Association of Iowa:
Primaries, John J. Dana, J. B. R. Walker.
Substitutes, Joel S. Bingham, William Bates.

To the General Associations of Kansas and Minnesota:
Primaries, Thomas Wilson, Wheelock Craig.
Substitutes, Isaiah C. Thatcher, Ebenezer Alden, Jr.

To the General Associations of Oregon and California:
Primaries, Parsons Cooke, D. D., Leonard Withington, D. D.
Substitutes, Daniel T. Fiske, Edwin H. Nevin.

To the Congregational Union of Canada:
Primaries, John H. Gurney, George M. Adams.
Substitutes, Joshua W. Wellman, Sereno D. Clark.

To the Congregational Association of Nebraska: [See p. 11.]
Primaries, Amos Blanchard, D. D., Swift Byington.
Substitutes, Martin S. Howard, Roswell Foster.

To the Congregational Union of England and Wales:
Primaries, Israel E. Dwinell, Robert Crawford.

Also *Voted*, that in case these two last named brethren, or either of them, should find themselves probably unable to represent this body, the Secretary of this Association be entrusted with discretionary power, to issue a certificate of delegateship, to any brother or brethren, members of Associations connected with this body, who may be intending to be in Europe at the time of the meetings of the Congregational Union, and can make it convenient to attend its sessions.

CONGREGATIONALISM AT THE WEST.

Voted, To adopt the following Preamble and Resolution of the Albany Congregational Convention of 1852, as expressive of the sentiments of the General Association of Massachusetts, on the subject to which they relate :—

Whereas, for several years insinuations and charges, of heresy in doctrine, and of disorder in practice, have been made against the Congregationalists of the West, frequently too vague in their character, and too sweeping and general in their aim, to admit of refutation, and

Whereas, Congregationalism at the West has thereby suffered greatly in the estimation of Congregationalists in New England, and of many other Christians, therefore

Resolved, That it is the duty of Congregationalists to frown upon all such accusations, unless their authors or abettors, will make specific allegations and hold themselves responsible for the same.

Adjourned, after prayer by Rev. John L. Seymour, to meet at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Wednesday, 2, *P. M.* Met according to adjournment; prayer was offered by Rev. Stephen S. N. Greeley.

The Congregational Association of Nebraska was admitted as a Corresponding Body.

NARRATIVES OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

The Association listened to the reports of the state of religion in the various district Associations, and to a report from the Statistical Secretary.

PASTORAL LETTER.

The Pastoral Letter was read by Rev. John H. Bisbee of Worthington, and ordered to be printed.

After singing, a recess of ten minutes was taken.

DISCUSSION.

The session being resumed, the Association entered upon the discussion of the assigned topic :—" How shall the revival of religion, which has enlarged and refreshed the churches, be made available to the continued advancement and prosperity of the kingdom of Christ ?"

The following three questions occupied the Association till 5½ o'clock :

" Does the present revival indicate that the social prayer-meeting may be made more efficient than heretofore, as an instrument for the conversion of sinners ?"

" How can the fruits of this revival be most successfully consecrated to the increase of missionaries, and the enlargement of the missionary work ?"

" Is there anything in the recent phases of religious experience, which calls for a more careful and thorough inculcation of Christian doctrine ?"

After prayer by Rev. George W. Blagden, D. D., adjourned to 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Wednesday evening, 7½ *o'clock.* Met according to adjournment. Prayer was offered by Rev. Israel W. Putnam, D. D., and a hymn was sung.

Rev. Messrs. Henry M. Dexter, James H. Means, and (ex-officio) Alonzo H. Quint were appointed a Committee of Publication.

APPOINTMENTS FOR THE SESSION OF 1859.

Voted, That the session of 1859 be held in Pittsfield, with the South Church ; that Rev. Israel W. Putnam, D. D., of Middleboro', be Substitute Preacher on Home Missions, Rev. Israel E. Dwinell, of Salem, being Primary ;—that the Associational preacher be appointed by Middlesex South Association ;—that Rev. Messrs. Robert McEwen of Enfield, Edward S. Dwight of Amherst, and Edward P. Blodget of Greenwich, prepare the Pastoral Letter for 1859 ;—and that Rev. Messrs. Eden B. Foster of Lowell, Elijah P. Barrows of Andover, and Richard Tolman of Tewksbury, prepare the schedule of Questions for discussion at the next session.

DISCUSSION.

The discussion begun in the afternoon was resumed with the following questions:

"How shall the lay influence, so prominently called out, be made permanently helpful?"

"Does this revival yield any instruction in reference to the best method of bringing the power of the church to bear upon the conversion of men—especially those who neglect the public means of grace?"

"How can this revival be made to produce a higher standard of practical righteousness in church members?"

Rev. Messrs. Henry M. Dexter of Boston, A. Huntington Clapp of Providence, R. I., and Nahum Gale of Lee, severally made remarks upon these, and were followed by other brethren, till half past nine o'clock.

AMENDMENT.

The following amendment to the 4th section of the VII Rule was proposed and ordered to a second reading:

After "Delegates from Corresponding Bodies," in line fourth, insert "who shall be expected to confine their remarks within ten minutes."

After singing, and prayer by Rev. Sewall Harding, the Association adjourned till 9 o'clock, Thursday morning.

Thursday, 9, *A. M.* The Association met at the hour appointed, having spent an hour in devotional exercises. Prayer was offered by Rev. Josiah Ballard; the roll was called; and the minutes of the previous day approved.

AMENDMENT.

The amendment to Rule VII, ordered to a second reading was taken up and adopted.

ACCOUNTS.

The report of the Committee on Accounts was presented and adopted.

UNACCREDITED MINISTERS.

Voted, As cases have occurred, in which churches have been deceived, by those claiming to be Gospel Ministers,—Therefore, we advise all the Churches of our denomination in this State, to be on their guard, and admit no one to officiate among them, who cannot show his name upon our Minutes, or other satisfactory testimonials of his regular licensure, or standing in the ministry.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES.

Rev. Sewall Harding of the Congregational Board of Publication, Rev. Israel P. Warren of the American Seamen's Friend Society, Rev. J. Q. A. Edgell of the Society for the Promotion of Collegiate and Theological Education at the West, and Rev. Isaac P. Langworthy of the American Congregational Union, were heard in behalf of the operations of the Societies which they represent.

TEMPERANCE.

Rev. Joseph Tracy of the Committee on Temperance, appointed in 1857, read a report; its closing resolutions were adopted as follows:

Resolved, That, encouraged and rendered grateful to God, as we are by the past success of the Temperance Cause, we still believe, that the evils and sins of Intemperance demand continued and greatly increased efforts, in the pulpit, the family, and Sabbath-school, as well as in other lawful and available methods, for their removal.

Resolved, That the permanent success of the Temperance Reformation cannot be realized upon merely secular grounds, and in the judgment of this Association, the great present need of the cause, is to be restored to, and carried forward upon, the principles of the Bible.

Resolved, That a Committee of three persons be appointed, to have this subject in charge, and report at the next annual meeting.

Rev. Messrs. Joseph Tracy of Beverly, John C. Webster of Hopkinton, and Abijah P. Marvin of Winchendon, were appointed said Committee.

HOME MISSIONS.

The Report of the Committee on Home Missions appointed in 1857, was read by Rev. Joseph A. Copp, and referred to Rev. Seth Sweetser, D. D., and Rev. Messrs. Andrew L. Stone, James T. Woodbury, Joshua W. Wellman, and Sereno D. Clark, as a Committee to confer on the whole subject with the Executive Committee of the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, and express to them the evident sentiments of this body.

It was also *Voted*, That the Report be entrusted to the Publishing Committee, to condense and improve it, with the concurrence of the author, so far as may be necessary; and to publish and circulate it as a tract, if the means can be procured to defray the expense.

WESTERN COLLEGIATE EDUCATION.

Resolved, 1. That this Association cordially approves of the resolution adopted at the late special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Society for the Promotion of Collegiate and Theological Education at the West, and which was in these words, viz: Resolved, "That in the judgment of this Board, the churches connected with the denominations which coöperate in this Society, can render no more effectual service to the cause of Christian learning at the West, than to furnish the means for the speedy completion of the final effort in behalf of Colleges in States east of the Mississippi."

Resolved, 2. That it be earnestly recommended to the churches connected with this body, to do their just share of what is necessary for the completion of this work.

Resolved, 3. That a regard to their own highest interests, and to the evangelization of the West, requires also on the part of these churches a prompt and liberal response to the appeals of the Society in behalf of younger Institutions west of the Mississippi.

TRACT SOCIETY.

The following was adopted, by a vote of 35 ayes, to 7 noes:

Resolved, That the recent action of the American Tract Society at Boston, meets with our hearty approval, and we especially commend the Society to the confidence and support of all our churches.

NARRATIVE.

Rev. George W. Blagden, D. D., read the Narrative, which was adopted, and ordered to be published with the Minutes.

After prayer by Rev. Joseph Loring, adjourned to meet at 2, P. M., for divine service.

Thursday, 2, *P. M.* The Association met at the hour of adjournment for public services.

The Associational Sermon was preached by Rev. Joel S. Bingham of Westfield, from 1 John iv : 9,—Rev. George W. Blagden, D. D., of Boston, assisting in the devotional services.

The Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. George S. F. Savage of Illinois, and Rev. James W. M'Lane, D. D., of New York.

VOTE OF THANKS.

Voted, That the cordial thanks of this body be hereby tendered to the Pastor, Church, and Society, with whom this meeting is held, for their generous hospitalities, and for their thoughtful efforts to secure the convenience and profit of this session of the General Association.

After singing, and prayer by Rev. Daniel L. Furber, the Association adjourned, *sine die*.

J. T. WOODBURY, *Moderator*.

EDWIN A. BULKLEY, *Scribe*.
EPHRAIM W. ALLEN, *Assistant Scribe*.

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

Dear Brethren,—

In this our Annual Address, we would first of all invite you to unite with us in devout thanksgiving and praise to God, for the spiritual blessings received the past year. He hath surely wrought wonders among the people. "He hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad." Though former periods have been blessed with numerous and extensive revivals of religion, yet it is believed that never since the settlement of this country, has there been so extensive and general a refreshing from the presence of the Lord as during the past year. In this we recognize the power and grace of God —his power in the subjugation of rebel hearts to himself— his grace in renewing and sanctifying them for his service. In view of this great and glorious work, we would humbly say, "Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy and for thy truth's sake." Such special spiritual blessings demand corresponding gratitude from every follower of the Lord Jesus Christ. All who have ever tasted and seen that the Lord is gracious should "praise him for his goodness and for his wonderful works to the children of men."

In the next place, we would affectionately and earnestly exhort you to guard against spiritual declension. Revivals are too often followed by a lamentable reaction. The love of many cools, their zeal abates, and their labors for Christ and his cause are partially, if not wholly, suspended. Occasion is thus given for the enemies of the cross of Christ to speak reproachfully of these precious seasons of refreshing, and to call

them temporary human excitements, instead of the work of God. Thus religion in general suffers, Christ is "wounded in the house of his friends." To avoid such declension we exhort you to cultivate a sense of dependence on God. "We are" not "sufficient of ourselves to think anything as of ourselves, but our sufficiency is of God." Rely on him and not trust to your own strength. Abound in prayer. Pray earnestly, importunately, and "without ceasing."

Be watchful. Exercise a constant jealousy of your own hearts. Guard against secret faults as well as presumptuous sins. Be vigilant respecting temptations from without. The world, the flesh, and the devil, will do their utmost to draw you from duty and from God, and to cheat your souls out of heaven. Ever be ready to say to these, "Why should the work cease whilst I leave it and come down to you?"

We exhort you not only to avoid a retrograde course, but more than this. We would not have you stationary in religion. The Christian life is one of progress. It is a growth from the feebleness of infancy at the new birth "unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ." "Grow in grace." Go on from one degree of piety to another, never satisfied with the attainments made until you awake in the perfect likeness of God. To this end hold firmly the faith once "delivered to the saints." Be not "tossed about by every wind of doctrine." Cleave to the Bible as the word of God. This is eternal truth. The sincere milk of the word is that by which ye may grow. It is food to the soul, nourishing and strengthening. Without daily supplies of this, your piety will be sickly and effeminate. With this, by the grace of God, you may grow in every Christian grace.

Engage in every good work—"always abounding in the work of the Lord." The Christian has something to *do* as well as to *receive*. He is not called into the kingdom of Christ merely to enjoy in this life, and receive a crown of glory hereafter, but to live for Christ and to labor in the vineyard of his Master. That labor is to continue, not for a day or a week, but for life. He should therefore gird himself up for continuance in the work of the Lord, until, removed by death, he shall receive that blessed sentence, "Well done. good and

faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." "Brethren be not weary in well doing."

We entreat you to let the fruits of piety be manifest in your daily life, and by all your actions. By your fruits you will be known. If the recent work of grace in the churches be genuine, as we believe it is, we have a right to expect from you increased activity and energy in every thing pertaining to the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom on the earth. We look for a higher tone of morality in general, and a more sacred regard to *all* the commandments of God. The purifying effect of grace in the heart will be manifest in the outward life. Let that supposed piety which does not thus exhibit itself be at once distrusted and discarded. "Hereby do we know that we know him [Christ] if we keep his commandments. He that saith I know him and keepeth not his commandments is a liar and the truth is not in him." "He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk even as he walked."

As a fruit of the revival we expect of you increased efforts in behalf of the various objects of benevolence presented to you. The spirit of Christ is one of love and good will to men. It is manifested by labors, and sacrifices, and self-denials, for their temporal and eternal welfare. "If any man have not the spirit of Christ he is none of his." "This commandment have we from him, that he who loveth God love his brother also." We exhort you therefore to prove the sincerity of your love to God by your acts of benevolence to fellow men. "The poor you always have with you, and whenever you will you may do them good," in body and in soul, for time and for eternity. Times and opportunities are not wanting for the performance of deeds of benevolence. There are bodies to be fed and clothed and released from manacles and chains, minds to be instructed, elevated and refined, and souls to be saved from sin and its everlasting consequences. Physical, intellectual, and moral want, woe, and suffering, every where abound. The field for benevolent effort is the world. "Whoso hath this world's goods, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love

of God in him ?" The professed people of God should always be ready for every good word and work. They should not only coöperate, but take the lead, in every plan and effort which legitimately tends to meliorate the condition of man, to relieve the distressed, to elevate the degraded, to secure to all classes and conditions of individuals their rights, and to benefit and bless our race for this life and for the next. They should be foremost in every missionary, reformatory, and philanthropic effort, and thus guide and control the world, rather than be led and governed by the world. It is a humiliating spectacle when the nominal Church of Christ is seen to be behind the men of the world in their manifestations of love and good will to our race. It furnishes the enemies of the cross of Christ with their strongest argument against our holy religion. The Church is declared to be the salt of the earth, and the light of the world. Brethren, let your light shine out before men in your life and deeds. Oppose sin every where, and in every form, and by whomsoever committed. Stand up boldly against it, whether it appear in the form of intemperance, or licentiousness, or slavery, or anything else. We expect, the world expects, and all have a right to expect, that if the recent revival is the work of God, its blessed influence will be seen in increased efforts for the suppression and removal of all these, and their kindred evils. Let effort be made to reclaim the suicidal slaves of intemperance and lust, that they may "sit clothed and in their right mind;" in behalf of the millions in our land who are held in bondage, wearing the galling chains of slavery, that they may be raised to the enjoyment of their natural rights, and more than all become freemen in the Lord. Send to the thousands of millions of perishing heathen the bread of life, and the cup of salvation. "Do good to all men." Thus will you show to the world that you have been taught in the school of Christ, and have imbibed much of his heavenly spirit.

"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report, if there be any virtue, if there be any praise think on these things."

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

It is pleasing to write an account of the state of religion among our churches, when we have been favored with the gracious blessings of God, as we have been during the past and the present year. There has been a general interest in religion in all our Associations. In some of the churches and congregations it has been very deep and extensive: in all of them it has been greater than is usual. We may reasonably hope for a very large accession to the numbers and the influence of the disciples of our Lord, as the result of these blessings. In some cases the new converts to Jesus are already uniting with his churches.

The cause of these blessed effects has not been human, but is to be traced to the influence of the Holy Spirit, in connection with the providence and word of God, and particularly in connection with meetings for social prayer. We draw from these facts new motives for cherishing a deeper conviction of our entire dependence upon God,—accompanied as a true dependence ever must be with the ever hopeful, yet humble, energies and strong emotions of an unceasing activity. We are taught by them, also, the reasonableness and the importance of an habitual acknowledgment of the sublime sovereignty of God; by which we mean not that our infinitely perfect Lord ever acts without the highest and best reasons; but that these reasons are, for the most part, unknown to us; and that particularly they exclude the idea of our merit. "Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy, and for thy truth's sake."

In attempting to trace some of the secondary causes by which the gracious spirit of God has produced this wide-

spread interest in religion, we cannot fail to notice and specify that solemn conviction of the utter inadequacy of the possessions of this world to satisfy the highest and noblest desires of the spirit of men, which has been occasioned by the great prostration of the energies of trade, produced by the error of making haste to be rich; and illustrating very vividly the truth that they that *will* be rich, fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. "For the love of money is the root of all evil; which, while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows."

We are happy to state that the reports received from the delegates to our Association from other ecclesiastical bodies, with whom we enjoy the privileges of a fraternal and christian intercourse, show that they also have been blessed as we have been. Our brethren from New Hampshire, Connecticut, Vermont, Illinois, Iowa, Rhode Island, Ohio, Maine, Wisconsin, Michigan, New York, and our esteemed brother who has come to us as a delegate from the New School General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, all agree in speaking of the progress of the gospel, in most, if not in all their congregations. And another, and very interesting feature of the good work has been that there has been a flowing together of the sympathies of various different denominations of evangelical Christians, who have, in a remarkable degree, mingled their prayers and efforts together in promoting the work of their common Lord and Saviour, and rejoicing in its progress. It has been well nigh literally true, that "the inhabitants of one city" have gone "to another, saying, Let us go speedily to pray before the Lord, and to seek the Lord of hosts."

We have never known a time when there were so many and such encouraging indications of the quick approach of the period, indicated by prophecy, when there shall be a rapid and extensive reception of the gospel by great multitudes of men, as we have seen in that through which we have been passing during the last few months. And why

should it be thought a thing unreasonable or wonderful by us, that those strong and ardent desires and emotions, and those noble faculties and powers of the human mind, which have so long exercised themselves and wasted their strength amid the unsatisfying objects and schemes of earth and time, should, under the special influences of the truth and spirit of God, begin, like a pure flame bursting from the rumbling and agitated bowels of a volcano, to mount towards heaven! How long, O Lord, how long, ere thy kingdom shall come; and thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven! Even so, come Lord Jesus, come quickly!

The report from one of our Associations has said that it has been a characteristic of the exercises of mind developed in many who seem to give good evidence that they have passed from spiritual death unto life, by their repentance for sin, and faith in Christ, during this season of deep interest in religious truth and duty, that their convictions of sin, and its exceeding evil, have not been so distressing, at any one period of their progress to the Cross, as has often, if not always, been the fact, in those seasons of revival we have witnessed, or read of, in former times. And a suggestion has been made that this may be satisfactorily accounted for, by the increased and increasing degree of religious instruction given in our Sabbath schools directly from the Bible; thus making their convictions of sin not less real and powerful, but connecting them more habitually and gradually with the love and mercy of God in Christ, as revealed in the Bible; and with the essential simplicity of the first acts of genuine faith in Jesus, as a Saviour, as it is exhibited in the affecting illustrations of it given in the gospels—particularly in such an one as that presented by Christ himself, in his own memorable words: "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life."

However this may be, or whatever theory we may adopt respecting the fact in question; or even if the entire correctness of the *alleged fact* itself be doubted; it certainly gives good occasion for the inference that, as preachers of the gospel, we should be watchful and prayerful in giving to all the

members of our churches, and particularly to the lambs of our flocks, the clearest and most faithful doctrinal instruction. The whole subject of the exceeding evil of any and of every sin, in whatever form it be committed, as including in itself the essential element of all evil, whatever may be its apparent degree of enormity, was ever presented and pressed as a truth of the highest, most comprehensive, and solemn import, by Christ and his apostles, particularly by the apostle Paul. And we know of no one truth, especially when we consider it in its connection with its necessarily affiliated doctrines, more important to be pressed with power on all who profess and call themselves Christians, and on our own consciences and hearts, in this, our day. It is universally important to the formation of genuine Christian character, and the guidance of Christian conduct, both in striving to reprove sin in others, and to repent of it, and forsake it, ourselves.

The instruction given in the Sabbath schools in all our churches and societies, is doing much to promote the intelligence and activity of professors of religion, and to awaken an interest in religion among our children and youth; while in many cases, we have reason to believe, it sows seeds of truth in the heart, which, though "buried long in dust," shall "not deceive the hope," in coming years.

The tendency of the times also towards the promotion of a more efficient and intelligent coöperation of the members of our churches with their ministers and officers, in commending the truth to the consciences of men, and doing them good, as we have opportunity, is one among the most encouraging signs, which are now awakening the attention, and stimulating the efforts of the disciples of our Lord.

Five of our brethren, in the course of the year, have been called home, to be here no more. Three of these were aged, and well-tried soldiers of the Cross, and have been taken to their rest, like sheaves ripe for the harvest. Another was in middle life, and another in the morning of his ministerial existence. These events admonish us that no period of our lives is free from the approach of death; that each one of us should be always ready; working while the day lasts; for "the night cometh in which no man can work."

TREASURER'S REPORT.

GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF MASSACHUSETTS,

In account with EMERSON DAVIS, *Treasurer.*

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1857.			
July.	To Balance due Treasurer from old account, . . .	$42 27	
Sept.	" Cash paid Express and Postage, ...	75	
1858.			
June 25.	" Cash paid Crocker and Brewster for printing Minutes for 1857, 800 copies, ...	150 00	
	" " " for postage on do. .	14 21	
	" " " for printing Schedules,	3 00	
	" " Statistical Secretary's bill for Express and Postage,	9 50	
	" " " " printing Circulars,	2 00	
	Balance paid new Treasurer,	3 27	
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1858.			
May.	By tax of Bridgewater Association, assessed in 1856, .		3 50
June 24.	" taxes assessed in 1857, in full, ...		221 50
		$225 00	$225 00

The Committee on Accounts report that they have examined the Treasurer's Report, and find it correct, and that there is a balance in the treasury of $3 27.

The Committee recommend a tax of 50 cents to be levied upon each of the members of District Associations residing in the State, except such as are superannuated.

A. K. PACKARD,
WHEELOCK CRAIG,
Committee.

June 24, 1858.

[Adopted and ordered to be published.]

NOTICE.—The Treasurers and Delegates of the District Associations will notice that taxes are levied upon *all members* of Associations except such as reside out of this State or are superannuated. Attention is also called to Article IX, Section 3, and to Article XI, of the Rules.

ALONZO H. QUINT, *Treasurer.*

RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

I. Doctrinal Basis.—The Associations by which the General Association of Massachusetts was originally organized, agreed to admit, and this Association continues to admit, as articles of faith, the doctrines of Christianity, as they are generally expressed in the Assembly's Shorter Catechism; and the above-mentioned doctrines, understood by us to be distinctly those which, from the beginning, have been embraced by the churches of New England as the doctrines of the Gospel, are considered as the basis of our union.

II. Denominational Basis, and Object.—This General Association is founded on the principles of Congregationalism, and wholly disclaims ecclesiastical jurisdiction over the churches or the opinions of individuals. Its object is, to promote brotherly harmony and intercourse among the ministers of Christ;—to obtain religious information relative to the state of their churches, and of the Christian church in this country and throughout the world;—and to coöperate with one another, and with other ecclesiastical bodies, in the most eligible measures for advancing the cause of truth and holiness.

III. Members.—1. Each District Association in Massachusetts, consenting to the principles of this Union as stated in the first article, may appoint two delegates annually, to compose this General Association; and it is recommended, that one be appointed who attended the preceding year.

2. The Secretary, the Statistical Secretary, and the minister of the church where the Association meet, shall have seats, and act as members; the Associations to which they belong retaining the right to elect their number of Delegates in addition.

3. The principle of the connection formed with the Massachusetts Missionary Society is, that said Society may annually appoint two delegates to this body, who shall be admitted to equal privileges with the members from the District Associations.

4. The preachers of the Home Missionary and Associational Sermons, the chairmen of committees attending to present reports, the delegates who, within the preceding year, attended the meetings of the corresponding bodies to which they were sent, and such others as the Association,

upon the recommendation of the Committee of Arrangements, may vote to admit, shall have seats as Honorary Members, and shall be allowed full liberty to take part in all deliberations, but they shall not be entitled to vote.

IV. Meeting.—1. The several Associations shall have the offer of receiving, in rotation, the annual meeting of the General Association.

2. The time of the annual meeting of this Association, shall be on the fourth Tuesday of June, at four o'clock, P. M., at such place as shall have been duly notified.

V. Quorum.—Twenty members, delegated from the particular Associations of Massachusetts, shall be requisite to form a quorum.

VI. Organization.—1. The minister of the church in the place where the Association meets, or the Secretary, may call the Association to order, and preside in the meeting until the Association shall be properly organized.

2. The certificates of the Delegates present shall be read by the Secretary, or by a temporary Scribe; and the Association shall then be organized by the choice of a Moderator, a Scribe, and, if necessary, an assistant Scribe, by ballot. The Rules of the Association shall also be read, and the Moderator shall open the business with prayer.

VII. Special Order.—1. At the opening of the session on the morning of each subsequent day, the Moderator shall take the chair at the hour to which the Association stands adjourned; shall immediately call the members to order; shall direct the roll to be called; shall open the meeting with prayer; and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read; and the session of each day shall be closed with prayer.

2. The Committees for the session shall be appointed upon Tuesday.

3. An annual sermon shall be preached before the Association on Tuesday evening, on the subject of Home Missions, and a collection taken. The preacher shall be appointed by this body.

4. Wednesday, A. M. and P. M., shall be appropriated to the following objects:—not exceeding half an hour to necessary business; hearing reports of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies; receiving salutations of Delegates from Corresponding Bodies, who shall be expected to confine their remarks within ten minutes; hearing the narratives from the Delegates of the several Associations concerning the state of religion and the churches, which shall be presented in writing, with a view to obtain an accurate account of the principal facts, not however to prevent any more particular details which the Delegates may think expedient to add, or the Association to request,—no report of the state of religion being read in public, unless it be approved by the Association from which it comes, or by the Committee of Arrangements of the General Association,—no report being allowed to exceed four minutes, and the Moderator being instructed to enforce this rule; the discussion of theological and practical

questions connected with the ministerial profession, and in accordance with a schedule prepared by a special Committee and printed with the notices. Wednesday evening shall be occupied by religious services having special reference to the people of the place of meeting.

5. The Associational Sermon, the preacher of which shall be appointed by each Association in turn, shall be delivered at two o'clock, Thursday, P. M., after which the Lord's Supper shall be administered.

6. Previously to the close of each meeting, the General Association shall specify a place for meeting the next year, and request some District Association to appoint a preacher to deliver the Associational Sermon. And the church of the place of meeting is desired to make preparations to celebrate the Lord's Supper during the session.

7. Each annual meeting shall be closed with a psalm or hymn, and prayer by the Moderator, or such other member as he shall appoint.

VIII. Permanent Officers.—1. The Secretary shall be chosen for three years, from the close of the meeting at which the choice shall be made. He shall, *ex officio*, be the Treasurer of the General Association, and shall be authorized to pay such expenses as are allowed by the Association, and shall be allowed his own travelling expenses in attending the meetings of this Association. He shall receive the publications from foreign bodies, and distribute them among the several Associations, in proportion to the tax paid by them respectively. One copy of each publication, received by the General Association, or printed by its order, shall be kept in the archives.

2. A Statistical Secretary shall be chosen for three years from the first of September following his appointment. He shall procure the Statistics of the Churches through the Scribes or other statistical officers of the District Associations; complete and arrange them for publication, and present them in that form and properly combined into a summary, at the same time with the reports of the District Associations at each session. He shall superintend their printing; shall be a member, *ex officio*, of this body and of the Publishing Committee, and shall be allowed his travelling expenses in attending the meetings of the Association.

IX. Committees.—1. At each meeting of the Association, a Committee on Credentials shall be appointed.

2. At each meeting of the Association, a Committee of Arrangements, consisting of three, shall be appointed by nomination, to prepare the business of the session; and no business shall be introduced during the session, but through the hands, and with the approbation of the Committee. But if said Committee decline presenting any item of business proposed by any member, he shall have the privilege of appeal to the Association.

3. A Committee shall be appointed annually, to audit the accounts, who shall report the state of the treasury, and the sum in their opinion necessary to be paid the next year by the members of the several Associations connected with this body.

4. A Committee shall be appointed to receive the narratives and statements, and shall condense them into one narrative, to be submitted to the General Association and published. The written narratives shall be deposited with the Secretary.

5. A Committee shall be appointed to nominate Delegates to Corresponding bodies.

6. A Committee of three shall be annually appointed, to submit to the General Association at the next meeting, a *Pastoral Address,* to excite the attention of ministers and Christians to faithful discipline in the churches, the instruction of the rising generation, the sanctification of the Sabbath, and other subjects relating to the general interests of religion. The address being approved by the General Association, shall be signed by the Moderator, and printed with the minutes. This Committee shall be chosen from the several Associations in rotation.

7. A Committee to be chosen from the several Associations in rotation, shall be appointed to prepare a Schedule of Questions for the next meeting, which they shall furnish to the Secretary, to be published with the notices of the session.

8. A Publishing Committee shall be annually appointed, to make such extracts from the minutes of the meeting, as in their judgment it will be proper to publish; procure to be printed such number of copies, with the Pastoral Address, Narrative of the State of Religion, and Statistics of the churches, as will give one copy to each minister of the Associations represented in this body; and such a number of copies for other bodies connected with this Association, as shall be mutually agreed upon, and shall transmit them under the direction of the Secretary.

X. Correspondence.—1. Our principles of fraternal intercourse with all ecclesiastical bodies in correspondence with us are, that this Association, and each body so connected with it, shall annually appoint Delegates to the other, which shall be admitted to the privilege of sitting, and deliberating upon all matters which may come under consideration.

2. The delegates shall, as far as practicable, be selected from the District Associations in rotation. The brethren chosen substitutes in the delegations to the bodies in our connection, shall, at our next session, be considered as Delegates to the respective bodies, if they shall not previously have taken their seats there, through the failure of their principals.

3. The printed Minutes of the Association, shall be sufficient testimonials of the appointment of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies.

4. It shall be the duty of those Delegates who attend the meetings of Corresponding Bodies, whether they be Primaries or Substitutes, to certify the Secretary in writing, on or before the opening of the annual meeting next after his appointment.

XI. Assessments.—It shall be the duty of the Delegates of the District Associations, to pay the amount of the assessments due from their respective Associations for the past year, whether collected or not.

XII. Statistics.—1. The Statistical returns, with respect to the number in the churches, etc., shall be made out according to a printed schedule of this body, and according to the numbers on tho first of January past.

2. The names of all the members of the Associations belonging to this body, whether with or without charge, shall be inserted in the published returns, and corrected up to the date of publication.

3. Each District Association connected with this body, is requested to appoint a Statistical Scribe, to collect the statistics of the churches within its bounds, in methods designated by this body, and under the direction of the Statistical Secretary of the General Association.

XIII. Rules of Order.—1. Every motion, on being seconded, shall, if requested by the Moderator, or any two members, be reduced to writing, and no motion shall be open to discussion, until it be seconded.

2. The Moderator may speak to points of order, in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house by any two members. But he may not speak to the merits of the question without leaving the chair, and placing some other member in it, to preside while he speaks.

3. On questions of order, adjournment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question, no member shall speak more than once. Nor on any question shall a member speak more than twice, without leave of the Association.

4. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question; viz. Shall the main question be now put? The effect of adopting the previous question shall be to put an end to debate, and to bring the Association to a direct vote upon amendments reported by a Committee if any, upon pending amendments, and then upon the main question.

5. If a question under debate contain several parts, any member may have it divided, and a question taken on each part.

6. Every member, when speaking, shall address himself to the chair; and shall be subject to no needless interruption; if he act disorderly, it shall be the duty of the Moderator, and the privilege of other members to call him to order.

7. No member shall leave the Association before the session is closed, except with the consent of the body; nor shall any one leave the house during a sitting, without the consent of the Moderator.

XIV. Amendments.—A *Vote* or *Resolve* to establish, alter, or annul a *standing rule* of this body, shall be read twice on different days, and may be debated at each reading. At the first reading the question shall be, Shall it be read the second time?

PLACE OF MEETING.

The order in which the several Associations have the offer of receiving the Annual Meeting of the General Association; Berkshire North having the session of 1859.

Suffolk North,
Suffolk South,
Vineyard Sound,
Salem,
Berkshire South,
Mendon,
Andover,
Brewster,
Taunton,
Hampshire,
Essex South,
Hampshire East,
Norfolk,
Berkshire North,
Middlesex South,
Brookfield,
Old Colony,
Plymouth,
Hampden East,
Essex North,
Hampden West,
Franklin,
Harmony,
Woburn,
Worcester North,
Middlesex Union,
Worcester Central.

SELECTION OF PREACHER.

The order in which the several Associations shall appoint one of their number to preach the Associational Sermon; Middlesex South appointing the preacher of 1859.

Worcester Central,
Suffolk North,
Suffolk South,
Salem,
Berkshire North,
Vineyard Sound,
Essex South,
Franklin,
Harmony,
Mendon,
Hampden East,
Brookfield,
Hampden West,
Middlesex South,
Norfolk,
Hampshire,
Hampshire East,
Worcester North,
Old Colony,
Plymouth,
Taunton,
Middlesex Union,
Woburn,
Essex North,
Brewster,
Andover,
Berkshire South.

APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES.

At the meeting in 1859, one Substitute Delegate from each District Association will be appointed to the Body whose name stands in the opposite column. It is the privilege of each Association to nominate a person, who will, regularly, become Primary the succeeding year.

Andover and Mendon,	New Hampshire.
Berkshire North and Middlesex South,	New York.
Berkshire South and Middlesex Union,	Rhode Island.
Norfolk,	Vermont.
Brewster and Old Colony,	Wisconsin, and Nebraska.
Brookfield and Plymouth,	Kansas, and Minnesota.
Essex North and Salem,	Gen. Assembly, (N. S.)
Essex South and Suffolk North,	Connecticut, and Oregon.
Franklin and Suffolk South,	California, and Ohio.
Hampden East and Taunton,	England, and Canada.
Hampden West and Vineyard Sound,	Illinois.
Hampshire and Woburn,	Iowa.
Hampshire East and Worcester Central,	Maine.
Harmony and Worcester North,	Michigan.

OFFICERS OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION.

Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, Jamaica Plain, *Secretary.* 1858 —
" " " *Statistical Secretary.* 1856 —

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

EXPLANATIONS.

1. Associations are arranged in alphabetical order; towns, alphabetically in each Association; churches in each town, according to age; and of each church, (1) its town, (2) its locality in the town, and (3) its name, which name is always followed by "ch."

2. The columns specifying churches and ministers are corrected up to July 1, 1858; church members are reported for Jan. 1st preceding; admissions, removals, and baptisms cover the year 1857; "Sabbath School" includes total membership of teachers and scholars at the time of reporting, covering "branch schools" when under the *exclusive* care of the reporting church.

3. Churches organized since Dec. 31, 1857, are reported with their *original* membership, but are not included in the summary.

4. Dates of church organization printed in *italics* are those which have been *authenticated* for this report by reference to original records; those not so designated *may* be correct, but the Statistical Secretary has not been able to obtain knowledge on the subject.

5. "Ordained" denotes the date on which the person was originally set apart to the ministry "by the laying on of hands;" "Installed" denotes the date of his *pressnt* pastorate.

6. "Other members" includes only such clergymen as are members of District Associations. Other clergymen are enumerated in "Remarks." All *Post-office addresses* are to be found in the Index of clergymen, and *not* in the tables.

7. In *no* instance is any number in these Statistics supplied from the returns of previous years; blanks signify ignorance or carelessness.

8. See "Remarks" at the close of the tables.

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1. ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.			Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms.		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Andover, South ch.	*Oct.* 17, 1711	George Moore,	Oct. 10, 1855	Oct. 10, 1855	97	244	341	72	17	15	32	7	22	2	31	10	5	249
" Theol. Sem. ch.	Aug. 20, 1816	Faculty,	Acting	pastors.	348	59	407	315	8	10	18	0	3	0	3	1	0	45
" West ch.	*Dec.* 5, 1826	James H. Merrill,	Nov. 26, 1839	Apr. 30, 1856	73	160	233	37	23	4	27	1	8	0	9	6	2	204
" Free ch.	*May* 7, 1846	Caleb E. Fisher,	Aug. 23, 1843	June 1, 1855	39	92	131	25	10	8	18	0	5	0	5	0	5	240
" Ballardvale,	*Dec.* 31, 1854	Henry S. Greene,	Dec. 27, 1837	Apr. 1, 1855	12	41	53	9	1	5	6	3	0	0	3	1	5	110
Chelmsford,	Apr. 27, 1824	Benjamin F. Clark,	Aug. 1, 1839	Aug. 1, 1839	29	51	80	21	0	3	3	5	0	0	5	0	0	85
Dracut, 1st ch.	1711	William Allen,	Jan. 29, 1841	Stated sup.	28	57	85	9	0	2	2	1	0	1	2	0	0	60
" West ch.	Aug. 31, 1797	None,			27	68	95	22	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	51
" Central ch.	July 25, 1847	None,			33	46	79	0	48	5	53	1	0	0	1	32	5	125
Lawrence, 1st ch.	*Apr.* 19, 1847	G. B. Willcox,	June 15, 1853	Sep. 24, 1856	105	193	298	65	64	31	95	2	9	0	11	41	4	475
" Central ch	*Dec.* 25, 1849	Daniel Tenney,	May 13, 1845	Sept. 2, 1857	88	214	302	100	50	18	68	2	7	0	9	28	5	300
Lowell, 1st ch.	*June* 6, 1226	Jonathan L. Jenkins,	Oct. 17, 1855	Oct. 17, 1855	64	235	299	120	12	6	18	4	11	0	15	4	0	374
" Appleton-st. c.	*Dec.* 2, 1831	J. P. Cleaveland, D.D.	Feb. 14, 1827	Oct. 2, 1855	88	386	474	100	53	6	59	3	11	1	15	34	6	300
" John-st. ch.	*May* 9, 1839	Eden B. Foster,	Aug. 11, 1841	Feb. 3, 1853	137	423	560	130	36	14	50	2	8	0	10	20	5	450
" Kirk-st. ch.	*May* 21, 1845	A. Blanchard, D. D.	Dec. 25, 1829	May 21, 1845	63	195	258	65	24	7	31	3	14	0	17	12	21	300
" High-st. ch.	Jan. 22, 1846	Owen Street,	Feb. 3,	1842 Sep. 16, 1857	33	78	116	26	6	5	11	0	8	0	8	2	4	198
Methuen,	*Oct.* 29, 1729	John C. Phillips,	Dec. 18, 1833	Dec. 25, 1839	62	113	175	58	1	2	3	8	10	0	18	0	0	100
North Andover,	Sept 3, 1834	L. H. Cobb,	Oct. 28, 1857	Oct. 28, 1857	17	80	97	14	12	12	24	2	5	0	7	5	2	130
Tewksbury,	Nov. 29, 1734	Richard Tolman,	Sep. 17, 1845	Aug. 25, 1859	64	100	164	21	2	3	5	2	0	0	2	0	8	127
Total, 19		16 Pastors, 1 s. s., 2 vacant chhs.			1412	2835	4247	1209	367	156	523	47	122	4	173	196	79	3923

OTHER MEMBERS.—Milton Badger, D. D, Sec Am. H. M. Society, New York, ordained Jan. 3, 1828; Elijah P. Barrows, Prof. in Andover Theological Seminary, ord. June 6, 1832; Steadman W. Hanks, Sec. Am. Seamen's Friend Society, Lowell, ord. March 20, 1840; Isaac Hosford, Chaplain Insane Asylum, Worcester, ord. Feb. 14, 1838; Samuel C. Jackson, D. D., Assistant Sec. Mass. Board of Education, Andover, ord. June 6, 1827; David Oliphant, Andover, ord. May 15, 1815; John L. Taylor, Treasurer of Trustees of Phillips Academy, Andover, ord. July 18, 1839.—7. Also, Orpheus T. Lamphear, pastor of 1st church, Exeter, N. H., ord. Oct. 25, 1849.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in February, April, June, October, and December.

G. BUCKINGHAM WILLCOX, Lawrence, Scribe; JAMES H. MERRILL, Andover, Statistical Scribe.

2. BERKSHIRE NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms.		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Adams, North,	*Apr.* 19, 1827	Albert Paine,	Sep. 7, 1848	Dec. 3, 1856	35	129	164	34	13	8	21	0	9	0	9	4	3	106
" South,	*Jan.* 1, 1840	J. Jay Dana,	Sep. 9, 1835	June 15, 1848	23	68	91	30	3	7	10	0	6	0	6	3	3	90
Becket, North,	Sep. 25, 1849	None,			38	47	85	24	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	100
Dalton,	*Feb.* 16, 1785	T. A. Hazen,	Oct. 11, 1854	Oct. 11, 1854	32	71	103	9	1	2	3	3	3	0	6	0	3	63
Hinsdale,	Dec. 17, 1795	None,			64	109	173	17	0	3	3	3	9	0	12	0	0	
Lanesboro',	Mar. 28, 1764	*George T. Dole,	Oct. 6, 1842	Stated sup.	17	32	49	10	4	1	5	0	1	0	1	3	0	41
Peru,	June, 1770	Moses M. Longley,	May 28, 1846	Sep. 19, 1855	59	69	128	27	0	0	0	5	5	1	11	0	0	120
Pittsfield, 1st ch.	*Feb.* 7, 1764	John Todd, D. D.	Jan. 3, 1827	Feb. 16, 1842			703	343	65	8	73	4	11	0	15	23	17	360
" 2d (colored,)	Feb. 20, 1846	Samuel Harrison,	Aug. 13, 1850	Aug 13, 1850	11	28	39	5	9	1	10	0	0	0	0	4	2	50
" South,	Nov. 12, 1850	None,			100	197	297	19	98	12	110	1	13	0	14			175
Richmond,	1765	Charles S. Renshaw,	Fall of 1837	Nov. 16, 1853	25	60	85	8	0	1	1	1	2	0	3	0	1	70
Washington,	*Early in* 1772	None,			6	9	15	5	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	0
Williamstown, 1st ch.	1765	Addison Ballard,	Sep. 15, 1857	Sep. 15, 1857			280											
2d ch.	1836	†Isaac N. Lincoln,	Sep. 6, 1853	Stated sup.	13	23	36	4	7	2	9	2	0	0	2	5	1	75
" College ch	June 15, 1834	Mark Hopkins, D. D.	Sep. 15, 1836	Sep. 15, 1836	78	0	78	53	1	7	8	0	4	0	4	0	0	0
Windsor,	Dec. 21, 1772	‡T. C. Perry,	Nov. 12, 1856	Stated sup.	23	34	57	6	0	1	1	2	5	0	7	0	1	80
Total, 16		9 Pastors, 3 s. s., 4 vacant chhs.			524	876	2383	594	201	53	254	23	72	1	96	42	31	1330

OTHER MEMBERS.—Calvin Durfee, Financial Agent of Williams College, Williamstown, ord. April, 1828; N. H. Griffin, Professor in Williams College, ord. June 28, 1839; Heman Humphrey, D. D., Pittsfield, ord. March 16, 1807; †Isaac N. Lincoln, Prof. in Williams College; John Tallock, Prof. in Williams College, ord. Oct. 12, 1852—6. Also, Russell S. Cook, New York, ordained (when?); Dwight W. Marsh, Missionary, Mosul, Turkey, ord. Oct. 2, 1849; Marshall D. Saunders, Missionary in Ceylon, ord. July 17, 1851; G. W. Timlow, stated supply, North Lebanon, N. Y., ord. Sept. 12, 1844; W. H. Tyler, Elizabethtown, N. J., ord. (when?); H. A. Wilder, Missionary in South Africa, ord. Feb. 28, 1849.

*A member of Woburn Association. ‡Not a member of Association.

Association meets on the last Monday in January, April, July, and October.

J. JAY DANA, Adams, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

3. BERKSHIRE SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.			Baptisms		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem	Tot.	Abs.	Prof	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Alford,	*Aug.* 13, 1846	None,			8	18	26	7	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	30
Becket, 1st ch.	*Dec.* 28, 1758	*Spencer O. Dyer,	Apr. 21, 1858	Apr. 21, 1858	25	62	87	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	72
Egremont,	*Nov.* 22, 1816	James B. Cleaveland,	June 8,	1852 July 12, 1855	32	76	108	16	2	1	3	2	6	0	8	3	9	97
Great Barrington,	*Dec.* 28, 1743	*Horace Winslow,	June,	1843 Jan. 5, 1858	64	167	231	30	4	0	4	1	13	0	14	4	4	130
" Housatonic,	*June* 18, 1841	*Josiah Brewer,	May 10, 1826	Stated sup.	16	54	70	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	73
Lee,	*May* 25, 1780	Nahum Gale,	June 22, 1842	Sep. 1, 1853	121	247	368	65	19	8	27	7	13	0	20	6	13	200
Lenox,	1769	Edmund K. Alden,	Jan. 2,	1850 Nov. 15, 1854	65	165	230	27	9	5	14	5	6	0	11	3	11	175
Monterey,	*Sep.* 25, 1750	Winthrop H. Phelps,	Feb. 9,	1848 Dec. 27, 1854	30	70	100	18	1	2	3	0	1	0	1	0	1	100
New Marlboro', 1st ch.	*Oct.* 31, 1744	Richard T. Searle,	May 8,	1845 Sep. 28, 1852	33	72	105	27	3	0	3	5	5	0	10	1	0	125
" Southfield	*Apr.* 25, 1794	Otis Lombard,	June 14, 1849	June 14, 1849	18	41	59	15	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	0	0	70
Otis,	*Feb.* 2, 1779	Thomas A. Hall,	June 16, 1841	Stated sup.	25	61	86	17	5	3	8	1	1	0	2	4	2	90
Sandisfield,	*Feb.* 24, 1756	Aaron Pickett,	June 23, 1826	Jan. 23, 1851	59	136	195	52	2	0	2	5	5	0	10	2	0	138
Sheffield,	*Oct.* 22, 1735	George E. Hill,	June 5,	1851 May 16, 1855	30	126	156	5	1	2	3	5	4	2	11	4	6	246
Stockbridge,	*Oct.* 18, 1734	Alfred H. Dashiell, Jr	Dec. 28, 1847	Dec 11, 1850	83	169	252	53	13	7	20	3	9	0	12	3	6	160
" Curtisville,	*Dec.* 22, 1824	George Uhler,	Oct. 17, 1847	Stated sup.	37	66	103	49	2	2	4	1	0	0	1	1	4	58
W. Stockbridge, Cen.	*June* 4, 1789	Lewis Pennell,	Sep. 17, 1833	Dec. 6, 1854	30	46	76	12	0	0	0	3	2	1	6	0	2	50
" Village,	*Dec.* 25, 1833	Daniel D. Frost,	Dec. 30, 1846	Mar. 25, 1857	32	56	88	47	1	3	4	1	6	0	7	1	0	60
Total, 17		13 Pastors, 3 s. s., 1 vacant chh.			708	1632	2340	488	62	34	96	39	74	3	116	32	57	1874

OTHER MEMBERS.—James Bradford, Sheffield, ordained Oct. 13, 1813; David D. Field, D. D., Stockbridge, ord. April 11, 1804.—2 Also, John C. Brigham, D. D., Sec. Am. Bible Soc., New York city, ord. (when?); S. S. N. Greelev, stated supply, Grand Rapids, Michigan, ord. Jan. 31, 1839; Rufus Pomeroy, Otis, ord. Sept. 15, 1811; Josiah W. Turner, Agent of Am. Tract Society, Portland, Maine, ord. April 19, 1837; Samuel Utley, Superintendent of Orphan Asylum, Hudson, N. Y., ord. Nov. 3, 1831; Zolva Whitmore, stated supply, Chester Factories, ord. Sept. 5, 1821.

*Not members of the Association.

Association meets on the last Monday in January, April, July, and October.

ALFRED H. DASHIELL, Jr., Stockbridge, Scribe; OTIS LOMBARD, Southfield, Statistical Scribe.

4. BREWSTER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms.		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Barnstable, Hyannis,	*Jan.* 3, 1854	Charles Morgridge,	Sep. 20, 1831	Jan. 21, 1858	6	14	20	7	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	0	45
Chatham,	*June* 15, 1720	None,			35	109	144	6	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	4	165
Dennis, South,	*Jan.* 16, 1817	Wm. H. Sturtevant,	Nov. 15, 1853	Dec. 10, 1856	30	54	84	5	2	0	2	4	1	0	5	2	0	150
Eastham,	*In* 1646	Ebenezer Chase,	Aug. 19, 1810	Apr. 29, 1853	14	34	48	3	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	0	1	35
Harwich,	*Nov.* 6, 1747	None,			16	63	79	15	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	2	100
" Port, Pilgrim ch.	*Apr.* 3, 1855	None,			13	20	33	0	3	2	5	1	0	0	1	3	0	99
Orleans,	*In* 1719	Jacob White,	Jan. 13, 1836	June 1, 1841	30	94	124	3	0	0	0	7	2	0	9	0	1	200
Provincetown,	*In* 1714	Osborne Myrick,	Feb. 18, 1846	Feb. 18, 1846	10	39	49	4	6	2	8	3	0	0	3	1	1	75
†Sandwich, Puritan c.	*Mar.* 21, 1847	None,			15	35	50	9	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0
Truro,	*Nov.* 1, 1711	Edward W. Noble,	Dec. 26, 1849	Dec. 26, 1849	45	77	122	8	10	0	10	0	0	0	0	5	8	175
" North,	*May* 22, 1842	Job Cushman,	July 6, 1825	Stated sup.	5	20	25	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
Wellfleet, 1st ch.	*In* 1730	Samuel Hopley,	Sep. 19, 1855	Mar. 12, 1857	77	139	216	27	10	2	12	6	2	0	8	4	11	130
" South,	*Dec.* 4, 1833	*Joseph H. Patrick,	Nov. 22, 1827	Stated sup.	44	75	119	19	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	1	140
Yarmouth,	1639	Abel K. Packard,	Dec. 16, 1851	Dec 16, 1851	29	79	108	13	1	0	1	5	0	0	5	0	. 8	139
" West,	*Sep.* 30, 1840	Martin S. Howard,	Nov. 20, 1856	Nov 20, 1856	7	36	43	0	3	2	5	0	2	0	2	0	1	50
Total, 15		9 Pastors, 2 s. s., 4 vacant chhs.			376	888	1264	120	37	9	46	34	16	0	50	17	38	1563

OTHER MEMBERS.—Nathaniel Cogswell, Yarmouth, ordained April 24, 1822; E. Pratt, Brewster, ord. June, 1807; Cyrus Stone, Editor, Boston, ord. May 10, 1826—3. Also, William A. McCollom, Manhattan, Kansas, ord. April, 1855; John U. Parsons, Ogden, Kansas, ord. Oct. 14, 1831; John H. Wells, Kingston, R. I., ord. (when?); Moses H. Wilder, Otisville, N. Y., ord. April 21, 1835.

*Member of Hampshire East Association. †This church has no public worship.

Association meets

ABEL K. PACKARD, Yarmouth, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

5. BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.			Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms.		Sab. Sch.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Int.	
Brimfield,	*Nov.* 18, 1724	Jason Morse,	Dec. 12, 1849	Dec. 12, 1849	58	134	192	25	4	11	15	6	5	0	11	2	3	250
Brookfield,	*Apr.* 15, 1756	Jesse K. Bragg,	Oct. 19, 1842	Sep. 14, 1852	42	88	130	35	2	4	6	1	3	0	4	1	1	100
Charlton,	*Apr.* 16, 1761	John Haven,	Dec. 14, 1836	July 12, 1855	21	72	93	14	2	3	5	2	0	0	2	2	1	120
Dana, Centre,	Sep. 28, 1852	John Keep,	Sep. 30, 1835	Nov. 15, 1835	11	22	33	5	0	3	3	1	0	0	1	0	1	70
Dudley,	1732	*Henry Pratt,	Oct. 25, 1854	Oct. 25. 1854	48	104	152	25	18	0	18	4	6	0	10	11	1	125
Hardwick,	*Nov.* 17, 1736	Martyn Tupper,	Apr. 16, 1828	June 23, 1852	32	69	101	25	4	0	4	5	1	0	6	2	0	150
Holland,	Sep. 12, 1765	Francis Wood,	Feb. 26, 1823	Stated sup.	13	26	39	4	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	70
New Braintree,	*Apr.* 18, 1754	John H. Gurney,	Feb. 28, 1850	Apr. 23, 1856	17	66	83	10	2	3	5	3	7	0	10	0	0	90
North Brookfield, 1st c.	*May* 28, 1752	{ Thomas Snell, D. D { Christop'r Cushing,	June 27, 1798 Feb. 21, 1849	June 27, 1798 Sep. 17, 1851	94	185	279	12	9	6	15	7	8	0	15	4	5	350
" Union ch.	*June* 7, 1854	Wm. H. Beecher,	Mar. 25, 1830	June 3, 1857	34	66	100	15	10	7	17	2	0	0	2	3	1	230
Oakham,	*June* 23, 1773	James Kimball,	Jan. 13, 1825	Dec. 6, 1832	90	172	262	47	10	3	13	5	4	0	9	5	3	200
Southbridge,	*Sep.* 16, 1801	Eber Carpenter,	Feb. 17, 1830	Dec. 1, 1835	47	121	168	55	0	0	0	3	5	0	8	0	4	150
Spencer,	*May* 17, 1744	S. G. Dodd,	Oct. 20, 1852	Aug. 24, 1854	30	80	110	7	2	4	6	1	3	0	4	2	1	200
Sturbridge,	*Sep.* 29, 1736	S. G. Clapp,	Mar. 9, 1828	Mar. 26, 1856	73	149	222	38	4	7	11	5	8	0	13	3	3	120
Ware,	*May* 9, 1751	Ariel P. Chute,	Mar. 16, 1836	Sep. 22, 1857	44	84	128	28	0	2	2	2	1	0	3	0	0	110
" Village, East c.	*Apr.* 12, 1826	A. E. P. Perkins,	Sep. 18, 1844	Dec. 5, 1855	78	161	239	39	11	4	15	4	17	1	22	4	5	225
Warren,	*In* 1743	Stephen S. Smith,	Nov. 11, 1831	Apr. 13, 1851	50	109	159	18	9	4	13	4	3	0	7	4	4	130
West Brookfield,	*Oct.* 16, 1717	Swift Byington,	Nov. 17, 1852	Nov. 17, 1852	107	212	319	64	3	5	8	8	8	0	16	1	7	170
Total, 18		18 Pastors, 1 s. s., no vacant chhs.			889	1920	2809	466	90	66	156	64	82	1	147	44	40	2860

OTHER MEMBERS.—S. W. Bannister, Brookfield, ordained (when ?)—1.

*Not a member.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, third Tuesday in April, and first Tuesday in October.

JOHN HAVEN, Charlton, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

6. ESSEX NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.			Baptisms.		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Amesbury, West,	*May* 19, 1726	Leander Thompson,	Nov. 30, 1838	Sep. 20, 1854	68	143	211	32	4	5	9	1	3	0	4	0	2	175
" Mills,	*Dec.* 6, 1831	Alexander C. Childs,	May 18, 1853	Nov. 19, 1856	56	129	185	51	1	9	10	3	5	0	8	0	0	132
" and Salisbury,	Oct. 14, 1835	None,			14	51	65	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Boxford, West,	*Dec.* 9, 1736	Calvin E. Park,	Oct. 31, 1838	Oct. 14, 1846	28	46	74	5	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	79
Bradford,	*Dec.* 1682	James T. McCollom,	June 25, 1841	Jan. 25, 1854	72	127	199	12	3	11	14	7	2	0	9	3	0	250
Georgetown,	*Oct.* 4, 1732	{ Isaac Braman,	June 7, 1797	June 7, 1797														
		{ Charles Beecher,	1844	Nov. 19, 1857	53	107	160	20	2	6	8	3	6	0	9	2	2	262
Groveland,	*June* 7, 1727	{ G. B. Perry, D. D.	Sep. 28, 1814	Sep. 28, 1814														
		{ Thomas Daggett,	Mar. 4, 1857	Mar. 4, 1857	46	96	142	4	2	4	6	3	2	0	5	1	0	135
Haverhill, West,	*Oct.* 1735	Asa Farwell,	Apr. 21, 1853	Apr. 21, 1853	38	62	100	18	6	2	8	3	1	0	4	2	0	138
" East,	*Jan.* 11, 1797	Abraham Burnham,	Sep. 30, 1857	Sep. 30, 1857	10	22	32	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45
" Centre,	Aug. 28, 1833	Benj. F. Hosford,	May 21, 1845	May 21, 1845	69	138	207	18	2	7	9	4	2	4	10	2	4	146
" Winter-st. ch.	*May* 13, 1839	Leonard S. Parker,	Dec. 6, 1837	June 1, 1853	44	62	106	8	10	4	14	2	2	0	4	7	4	185
*Ipswich, 1st ch.	1634	{ David T. Kimball,	Oct. 8, 1806	Oct. 8, 1806														
		{ Robert Southgate,	Jan. 4, 1832	July 24, 1851														
" Linebrook,	*Dec.* 13, 1749	None,			22	26	48	9	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	1	55
Newbury, 1st ch.	*May* 16, 1635	L. Withington, D. D.	Oct. 31, 1816	Oct 31, 1816	31	107	138	20	0	0	0	8	0	0	8	0	3	150
" Byfield ch.	Nov. 17, 1706	Charles Brooks,	June 16, 1858	June 16, 1858	39	79	118	24	0	0	0	2	5	0	7	0	2	130
Newburyp't, North ch.	*Jan.* 18, 1768	L. F. Dimmick, D. D.	Dec. 8, 1819	Dec. 8, 1819	55	265	320	4	0	0	0	8	1	0	9	0	4	180
" 4th ch.	*May* 30, 1793	Randolph Campbell,		Oct. 12, 1837	64	142	206		1	2	3	5	8	0	13	0	2	150
" Belleville,	*Apr.* 1808	Daniel T. Fiske,	Aug. 18, 1847	Aug. 18, 1847	50	117	167	12	9	1	10	3	1	0	4	3	0	160
" Whitefield ch.	*Jan.* 1, 1850	Samuel J. Spalding,	Oct. 28, 1846	June 30, 1851	31	111	142	25	2	1	3	3	3	0	6	1	7	215
Rowley,	*Dec.* 3, 1639	John Pike,	Nov. 18, 1840	Nov. 18, 1840	42	112	154	5	17	1	18	4	1	0	5	12	0	114
Salisbury, Hill,	Nov. 18, 1714	Benjamin Sawyer,		Stated sup	5	17	22		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
W. Newbury, 1st ch.	*Oct.* 26, 1698	Charles D. Herbert,	Apr 24, 1846	Mar. 5, 1857	33	55	88	8	8	24	32	0	1	0	1	3	1	138
" 2d ch.	*Sep.* 1, 1731	Davis Foster,	Nov. 1, 1855	Nov. 1, 1855	33	102	135	7	6	1	7	3	19	0	22	2	7	310
Total, 22		21 Pastors, 1 s. s., 2 vacant chhs.			803	2116	3019	298	73	78	151	62	65	4	131	38	39	3224

OTHER MEMBERS.—John P. Cowles, Principal of Young Ladies Sem., Ipswich, ordained June 18, 1833; J. Q. A. Edgell, Agent for Western Colleges, Andover, ord. Sept. 19, 1832; Willard Holbrook, Rowley, ord. July 22, 1818; Nathan Munroe, Editor Boston Recorder, Bradford, ord. Feb 10, 1836; J. H. Prince, Georgetown, ord. Oct. 3, 1847; W.G. T. Shedd, Brown Professor in Andover Theological Seminary, ord. Jan. 4, 1844; Francis V. Tenney, South Malden, ord. Aug. 7, 1845; Henry A. Woodman, Newburport.—8. A. R. Timlow, Pastor of 2d Presbyterian Church, Newburyport, is also a member.

Association meets on the last Tuesday in February, April, June, August, October, and December.

* Reported and included in Essex South, of which Mr. Southgate is a member.

DAVID T. KIMBALL, Ipswich, Scribe; SAMUEL J. SPALDING, Newburyport, Statistical Scribe.

7. ESSEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Beverly, Washington-street ch.	*Feb.* 8, 1837	Alonzo B. Rich,	Feb. 7, 1846	Dec 8, 1852	30	95	125	10	1	3	4	1	1	0	2	0	2	183
Danvers, Maple-st. ch.	*Dec.* 5, 1844	James Fletcher,	June 20, 1849	June 20, 1849	29	68	97	7	12	3	15	1	0	0	1	3	2	256
Essex, 1st ch.	*Sep.* 6. 1681	James M Bacon,	Oct. 8, 1846	July 9, 1856	49	91	140	9	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	167
Gloucester, West,	*Mar.* 23, 1829	None,			10	26	36	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
" Harbor,	*Nov.* 17, 1829	Lysander Dickerman,	Apr. 29, 1858	Apr 29, 1858	21	90	111	20	0	1	1	4	0	0	4	0	4	137
" Lanesville,	*Aug.* 25, 1830	Francis N. Peloubet,	Dec. 2, 1857	Dec. 2, 1857	13	29	42	9	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	121
Hamilton,	*Oct.* 12, 1714	John H. Mordough,	May 18, 1836	June 12, 1850	54	99	153	20	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	1	3	120
Ipswich, 1st ch.	1634	{ David T. Kimball,* { Robert Southgate,	Oct. 8, 1806 Jan. 4, 1832	Oct. 8, 1806 July 24, 1851	56	176	232	22	25	3	28	1	0	0	1	13	0	232
" South ch.	*Aug.* 22, 1747	Daniel Fitz,	June 28, 1826	June 28, 1826	46	146	192	24	6	0	6	4	1	0	5	1	1	160
Lynnfield Centre,	*Aug.* 17, 1720	Edwin R. Hodgman,	May 17, 1849	Jan. 9, 1856	14	41	55	17	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	78
Manchester,	*Nov.* 7, 1716	None,			70	171	241	36	2	2	4	11	3	3	17	1	1	119
Middleton,	*Oct.* 22, 1729	Amos H. Johnson,	Jan. 1, 1857	Jan. 1, 1857	42	107	149	39	2	1	3	3	1	0	4	1	3	139
Rockport, 1st ch.	*Feb.* 13, 1755	Wakefield Gale,	May 17, 1826	May 4, 1836	108	177	285	16	5	4	9	3	13	1	17	4	7	322
" 2d ch.	*Mar.* 15, 1855	David Bremner,	May 2, 1855	May 2, 1855	22	22	44	0	6	10	16	0	0	0	0	1	5	130
Salem, 3d ch.	*Apr.* 1735	{ B. Emerson, D. D. { Israel E. Dwinell,	Apr. 24, 1805 Nov. 22, 1849	Apr. 24, 1805 Nov. 22, 1849	70	247	317	55	10	19	29	4	9	3	16	6	9	459
" Howard-st. ch.	*Dec.* 29, 1803	Charles C. Beaman,†	June 20, 1839	Stated sup.	16	62	78	16	6	2	8	1	15	2	18	1	4	166
" Crombie-st. ch.	*May* 3, 1832	James M. Hoppin,	Mar. 27, 1850	Mar. 27, 1850	50	190	240	19	4	5	9	1	6	0	7	1	3	200
South Danvers, 1st ch.	*Sep.* 23, 1713	James O. Murray,	Oct. 26, 1854	Oct. 26, 1854	62	165	227	13	8	6	14	7	2	1	10	6	5	340
Total, 18		17 Pastors, 1 s. s., 2 vacant chhs.			762	2002	2764	335	88	60	148	45	53	10	108	39	50	3359

OTHER MEMBERS.—Ephraim W. Allen, Salem, (pastor elect, Walpole,) ordained May 17, 1843; Levi Wheaton, North Falmouth, ord. Jan. 23, 1850.—2. Also, Reuben Emerson, senior pastor of church in South Reading, which see in Woburn Association.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September, and November.

*Member of Essex North Association. †Not a member of Association.

EPHRAIM W. ALLEN, Salem, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Iastalled.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.			Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms.		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Ashfield, 1st,	*Feb.* 22, 1763	Willard Brigham,	May 24, 1843	Mar. 12, 1856	37	79	116	14	1	2	3	9	5	0	14	1	3	125
" 2d,	*June* 13, 1855	Lyman Warner,	Oct. 28, 1857	Oct. 28, 1857	22	38	60	5	3	9	12	1	0	0	1	0	0	75
Bernardston,	*Jan.* 13, 1824	None,			18	38	56	8	0	1	1	2	1	0	3	0	1	75
Buckland,	*Oct.* 8, 1785	Asa B. Smith,	Nov. 1, 1837	Mar. 22, 1848	65	110	175	14	0	6	6	2	11	0	13	0	9	150
Charlemont, 1st ch.	*June* 6, 1788	Matthew Kingman,	June 26, 1845	June 6, 1854	29	51	80	13	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	2	60
" East,	*Aug.* 6, 1845	Aaron Foster,	Sept. 1825	Feb. 13, 1850	22	50	72	12	0	3	3	5	4	0	9	0	0	126
Coleraine,	*Dec.* 9, 1819	None,			13	39	52	10	3	0	3	1	0	0	1	2	0	50
Conway,	*July* 14, 1768	George M. Adams,	Sep. 18, 1851	Sep. 18, 1851	103	212	315	35	9	13	22	5	17	0	22	5	5	241
Deerfield, South, 1st c.	*June* 30, 1818	Perkins K. Clark,	Aug. 26, 1846	Stated sup.	43	96	139	14	49	14	63	1	10	0	11	14	3	146
" Orthodox c.	*June* 2, 1835	Robert Crawford,	Aug. 20, 1840	June 13, 1858	26	48	74	8	4	0	4	1	0	0	1	1	0	45
" Monument ch.	*Jan.* 25, 1848	David A. Strong,	Mar. 21, 1849	Mar 21, 1849	38	73	111	9	29	0	29	0	1	0	1	12	2	100
Erving, Ev. Cong. ch.	*Sep.* 19, 1832	*Eli Moody,	Aug. 12, 1818	Stated sup.	14	18	32	12	2	0	2	1	3	0	4	1	0	50
Gill,	1793	*Andrew B. Foster,	June 16, 1844	Stated sup.	10	44	54	10	2	2	4	1	1	0	2	0	0	70
Greenfield, 1st ch.	*Mar.* 28, 1754	A. Chandler, D. D.	Feb. 7, 1810	Oct. 25, 1832	12	36	48	2	1	2	3	2	1	0	3	0	1	80
" 2d cong. ch.	*Jan.* 15, 1817	P. C. Headley,	Feb. 9, 1849	May 7, 1857	66	116	182	5	40	20	60	4	6	0	10	18	14	106
Hawley, East,	*Sep.* 16, 1778	Henry Seymour,	Mar. 1, 1843	Oct. 3, 1849	27	52	79	12	0	0	0	3	4	0	7	0	3	100
" West,	*Aug.* 24, 1825	Lewis Bridgman,	Oct. 29, 1840	Stated sup.	13	21	34	6	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	1	50
Heath,	*Apr.* 15, 1785	None,			16	38	54	5	0	2	2	4	6	1	11	0	0	100
Montague, 1st cong. c.	*Nov.* 22, 1752	*Brown Emerson,	Aug 3, 1837	Aug. 21, 1856	49	105	154	17	6	7	13	2	3	1	6	5	3	184
Northfield, Trin. ch.	*Nov.* 30, 1825	None,			13	31	44	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	65
Orange,	*Sep.* 23, 1846	Edwin Dimock,	Apr. 14, 1858	Apr. 14, 1858	39	85	124	17	2	0	2	1	7	2	10	1	0	175
†Rowe, Ev. Cong. ch.		None,			4	11	15	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Shelburne, 1st ch.	*In* 1770	Richard S. Billings,	June 6, 1855	June 6, 1855	38	60	98	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	4	125
" Falls,	*Mar.* 6, 1850	Wilbur F. Loomis,	Apr. 15, 1856	Apr. 15, 1856	30	68	98	22	9	2	11	0	8	0	8	5	4	140
Shutesbury,	*Oct.* 27, 1742	None,			13	33	46	9	1	2	3	1	1	0	2	1	0	60
Sunderland,	*Jan.* 1, 1718	Sereno D. Clark,	June 11, 1840	May 31, 1853	89	126	215	12	7	2	9	4	13	0	17	0	13	150
Warwick,	*June* 9, 1829	Henry M. Bridge,	Apr. 29, 1849	May 16, 1855	11	38	49	6	0	1	1	2	5	0	7	0	1	80
Wendell,	*Nov.* 29, 1774	Abraham Jenkins,	Feb. 16, 1848	Stated sup.	24	45	69	28	0	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	0	45
Whately, 2d cong. ch.	*Nov.* 10, 1842	Charles Lord,	Oct. 20, 1843	Mar. 20, 1856	26	50	76	14	2	1	3	1	2	0	3	0	0	60
Total, 29		18 Pastors, 5 s. s., 6 vacant chhs.			910	1811	2721	335	170	91	261	62	116	4	182	66	69	2833

OTHER MEMBERS.—Edward Clarke, Chesterfield, ordained June 19, 1839; John Ferguson, Whately, ord. Feb. 27, 1822; Roger C. Hatch, Warwick, ord. Oct. 23, 1818; George L. Hovey, Dist. Sec. of Am. and For. Christian Union, Greenfield, ord. Sept. 6, 1838; Harrison G. Park, Bernardston, ord. Dec. 16, 1829; James Tisdale, Shutesbury, ord. Sept. 29, 1830.—6. Edward B. Emerson, Ct, ord. (when ?); William W. Howland, Missionary A. B. C. F. M., (now temporarily in Conway,) ord. Oct. 14, 1845; David Peck, pastor, Danbury, Ct., ord. Oct. 13, 1852; Jeremiah Pomeroy, stated supply (at West Cummington,) West Hawley, ord. Oct. 7, 1833.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in February, May, August (usually July by special vote,) and November.

*Not members of the Association. †This church has no public services.

DAVID A. STRONG, South Deerfield, Scribe; WILLARD BRIGHAM, Ashfield, Statistical Scribe.

9. HAMPDEN EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.			Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms.		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Chicopee, 1st ch.	*Sep.* 27, 1752	Eli B. Clark,	Oct. 16, 1839	Oct. 16, 1839	36	56	92	8	0	6	6	0	5	0	5	0	1	76
" 2d ch.	*June* 3, 1850	None,			43	129	172	75	1	3	4	0	6	1	7	0	1	132
" 3d ch.	*Oct.* 16, 1834	*L. H. Cone,	Apr. 5, 1855	Feb. 19, 1857	54	139	193	51	0	13	13	2	18	1	21	0	3	216
Longmeadow,	*Oct.* 17, 1716	John W. Harding,	Jan. 1, 1850	Jan. 1, 1850	67	136	203	15	4	6	10	1	7	0	8	0	7	100
" East,	*Apr.* 22, 1829	J. R. Brown,	May 21, 1845	Dec. 13, 1854	24	69	93	10	0	5	5	3	1	0	4	0	1	55
Ludlow,	*In* 1789	J. W. Tuck,	Sep. 6, 1843	Sep. 6, 1843	44	78	122	14	6	1	7	2	10	0	12	0	6	200
Monson,	*June* 23, 1762	{ Alfred Ely, D. D. { T. G. Colton,	Dec. 17, 1806	Dec. 17, 1806 { Sep. 23, 1849	Mar. 28, 1855	72	131	203	14	6	4	10	5	6	0	11	0	5	180
Palmer, 1st ch.	*In* 1730	J. H. M. Leland,	June 13, 1854	Sep. 17, 1857	19	66	85	25	2	0	2	1	3	0	4	2	0*	50
" 2d ch.	*Nov.* 1, 1847	Joseph Vaill, D. D.	Feb. 2, 1814	Dec. 7, 1854	21	48	69	8	0	7	7	1	5	0	6	0	0	95
South Hadley Falls,	*Aug.* 12, 1824	Richard Knight,	May 1837	Sep. 10, 1856	34	82	116	24	5	10	15	0	6	0	6	2	0	150
Springfield, 1st ch.	*In* 1637	{ S. Osgood, D. D. { Henry M. Parsons,	June 25, 1809	June 25, 1809 { Nov. 15, 1854	Nov. 15, 1854	67	261	328	27	3	13	16	7	21	0	28	2	7	220
" Olivet,	*Jan.* 8, 1833	George D. F. Folsom,	July 16, 1850	May 23, 1855		45	112	157	22	1	4	5	3	6	0	9	1	8	125
" South,	*Mar.* 23, 1842	S. G. Buckingham,	May 24, 1837	June 16, 1847		95	188	283	50	7	10	17	5	16	0	21	1	9	195
" North,	*Oct.* 28, 1846	James Drummond,	Oct. 12, 1842	June 23, 1858		63	117	180	10	3	7	10	1	10	0	11	2	6	181
" Indian Orchard,	*Mar.* 28, 1848	None,				15	31	46	14	5	9	14	0	0	0	0	3	1	50
Wilbraham,	*June* 24, 1741	John P. Skeele,	Oct. 9, 1850	Stated sup.		53	96	149	31	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	1	120
" South,	*In* 1785	None,				17	51	68	21	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	3	30
Total, 17		15 Pastors, 1 s. s., 3 vacant chh.				769	1790	2559	419	43	98	141	35	124	2	161	13	59	2175

OTHER MEMBERS.—F. A. Barton, Financial Agent, Indian Orchard, ordained (when?); W. S. Blanchard, (where?) ord. (when?); C. B. Kittredge, Monson, ord Oct. 16, 1833—3. John Bowers, pastor, St. Johnsbury, Vt., ord. Dec. 13, 1837; S. Hine, stated supply, Groton, Ct, ord. Sept. 28, 1848; Porter H. Snow, Newspaper Agent, Baltimore, Md., ord. (when?)

Association meets on the first Tuesday in February, first Tuesday in May, second Tuesday in July, and second Tuesday in November.

*Not a member of Association.

ELI B. CLARK, Chicopee, Register, and Statistical Scribe.

10. HAMPDEN WEST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms	Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Agawam,	Sep. 1, 1819	Ralph Perry,	Jan. 3, 1844	Dec. 28, 1847	32	64	96	14	0	4	4	4	1	0	5	0	0	75
" Feeding Hills,	Nov. 10, 1762	*None,			25	52	77	13	3	0	3	2	2	0	4	1	3	60
Blandford,	*Autumn* 1735	Charles J. Hinsdale,	Jan. 15, 1823	Jan. 20, 1836	43	84	127	32	1	1	2	3	6	0	9	1	1	100
Chester,	1765	Hugh Gibson,	May 16, 1820	Stated sup.	28	40	68	10	2	0	2	2	0	0	2	0	2	78
" Factories,	*Nov.* 13, 1844	Zolva Whittemore,	Sept. 5, 1821	Stated sup.	7	15	22	5	0	0	0	1	4	0	5	0	1	30
Granville, East,	1747	T. M. Cooley, D. D.	Feb. 3, 1796	Feb. 3, 1796	22	52	74	7	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	45
" West,	*Nov.* 19, 1781	Francis Homes,	Oct. 29, 1854	Stated sup.	23	40	63	14	0	0	0	3	3	0	6	0	0	50
Holyoke, 1st ch.	*Dec.* 4, 1799	Simeon Miller,	May 7, 1846	May 7, 1846	22	40	62	12	0	3	3	0	1	0	1	0	4	70
" 2d ch.	*May* 24, 1849	J. B. R. Walker,	Nov. 27, 1847	Nov. 8, 1855	26	60	86	24	12	9	21	0	4	0	4	6	4	150
Huntington, 2d ch.	Aug. 26, 1846	Townsend Walker,	March 1844	Dec. 27, 1853	18	37	55	6	2	1	3	1	1	0	2	1	4	90
Montgomery,	June 30, 1797	None,			6	13	19	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	30
Southwick,	Aug. 16, 1773	None,			20	60	80	17	0	5	5	0	5	0	5	0	1	68
Tolland,	1797	C. F. Paige,		Stated sup.	32	53	85	19	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	70
Westfield, 1st ch.	Aug. 27, 1679	E. Davis, D. D.	June 1, 1836	June 1, 1836	91	225	316	18	9	7	16	9	15	1	25	6	10	230
" 2d ch.	May 22, 1856	Joel S. Bingham,	Oct. 20, 1846	June 17, 1857	36	55	91	7	16	5	21	0	11	0	11	5	2	211
West Springfield,	*June* 1698	Theron H. Hawks,	Mar. 7, 1855	Mar. 7, 1855	66	147	213	26	1	5	6	6	4	1	11	1	3	220
" Mettineague,	June 10, 1850	None,			12	32	44	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
Total, 17		9 Pastors, 4 s. s., 4 vacant chhs.			509	1069	1578	244	46	42	88	36	57	2	95	21	35	1747

OTHER MEMBERS.—Calvin Foote, Agent, (where?) ordained (when?); Francis Norwood, (where?) ord. (when?).—2. Henry Cooley, West Suffield, Ct. ord. Dec. 2, 1846.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in February, June, September, and November.

*See *Obituaries.*

EMERSON DAVIS, D. D., Westfield, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

11. HAMPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms.		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem	Tot.	Abs.	Prof	Let.	Tot	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Chesterfield,	*Oct.* 30, 1764	John E. Cory,	Oct. 12, 1853	Stated sup.	8	34	42	2	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	80
Cummington, 1st ch.	*Before* 1779	Nelson Barbour,	Dec. 15, 1836	Stated sup.	20	47	67	19	1	2	3	2	3	0	5	0	1	60
" Village,	*July* 1, 1839	Theodore J. Clark,	Oct. 11, 1842	Oct. 11, 1842	33	45	78	10	4	3	7	1	3	0	4	4	0	120
" West,	*Sep.* 20, 1840	*Jeremiah Pomeroy,	Oct. 7, 1833	Stated sup.	20	45	65	16	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	2	60
Easthampton, 1st ch.	Nov. 17, 1785	Aaron M. Colton,	June 10, 1840	Mar. 2, 1853	76	158	234	15	2	8	10	6	4	1	11	1	4	140
" Payson ch.	Dec. 29, 1852	Rollin S. Stone,	Apr. 15, 1835	Dec. 30, 1852	49	114	163	23	7	10	17	2	6	0	8	4	5	168
Goshen,	Dec. 21, 1780	Thomas H. Rood,	Dec. 20, 1848	Jan. 31, 1855	35	61	96	26	2	2	4	4	7	0	11	0	0	65
Huntington, 1st ch.	*July* 1778	H. A. Austin,	Nov. 6, 1856	Nov. 6, 1856	45	64	109	19	0	1	1	3	1	0	4	0	2	165
Middlefield,	Nov. 18, 1773	None,			18	28	46	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Northampton, 1st ch.	*May* 28, 1661	Zachary Eddy,	Apr. 1835	Mar. 3, 1858	155	240	395	12	6	6	12	8	3	0	11	2	7	350
" Edwards ch.	*Jan.* 30, 1833	Gordon Hall,	Oct. 25. 1848	June 2, 1852	89	163	252	35	6	9	15	4	10	0	14	0	4	251
Plainfield,	*Aug.* 31, 1786	None,			40	86	126	16	0	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	0	220
Southampton,	*June* 8, 1743	Stephen C. Strong,	Apr. 12, 1854	Apr. 12, 1854	150	167	362	45	0	0	0	6	13	0	19	0	5	225
Westhampton,	*Sep.* 1, 1779	Roswell Foster,	Mar. 14, 1855	Nov. 20, 1856	65	102	167	16	10	7	17	7	3	0	10	5	3	200
Whately, 1st ch.	*Aug.* 21, 1771	C. N. Seymour.	June 26, 1844	Mar. 9, 1853	59	80	139	16	0	0	0	2	4	0	6	0	0	150
Williamsburg,	*July* 3, 1773	Frederic T. Perkins,	Jan. 11, 1843	Feb. 3, 1857	90	142	232	30	3	5	8	5	6	0	11	0	11	200
" Haydenville,	*Mar.* 1, 1851	None,			35	92	127	23	6	6	12	2	1	0	3	2	2	125
Worthington,	*Apr.* 1, 1771	John H. Bisbee,	Feb. 20, 1834	Dec. 19, 1838	76	119	195	21	6	4	10	5	12	0	17	1	4	310
Total. 18		12 Pastors, 3 s. s., 3 vacant chhs.			1063	1787	2895	345	53	67	120	60	80	1	141	19	51	2889

OTHER MEMBERS.—Erastus Clapp, Easthampton, ordained Jan. 1, 1823; Solomon Lyman, Easthampton, ord. Jan. 4, 1826; Morris E. White, manufacturer, Northampton, ord. June 20, 1832.—3.

Association meets

*Member of Franklin Association.

GORDON HALL, Northampton, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

12. HAMPSHIRE EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Amherst, 1st ch.	*Nov.* 7, 1739	Edward S. Dwight,	Dec. 25, 1844	July 19, 1854	105	227	332	60	7	17	24	8	11	0	19	0	6	200
" 2d ch.	*Nov.* 11, 1783	Chas. L. Woodworth,	Nov. 7, 1849	Nov. 7, 1849	40	114	154	17	1	0	1	1	2	0	3	0	2	150
" South ch.	*Oct.* 14, 1824	James L. Merrick,	Apr. 15, 1834	Jan. 31, 1849	35	84	119	5	0	3	3	0	8	1	9	1	4	100
" College ch.	*Mar.* 7, 1826	Wm. A. Stearns, D.D	Dec. 14, 1831	Nov. 21, 1854	65	19	84	16	13	15	28	0	1	0	1	2	0	0
" North ch.	*Nov.* 15, 1826	None,			82	143	225	23	4	5	9	3	8	0	11	1	3	100
Belchertown,	*In* 1737	Henry B. Blake,	Jan. 1, 1845	June 26, 1855	103	260	363	33	5	12	17	9	8	0	17	3	3	300
Enfield,	*In* 1790	Robert McEwen,	Oct. 9, 1833	Feb. 16, 1842	126	204	330	59	5	6	11	6	2	0	8	3	0	150
Granby,	*In* 1762	Henry Mills,	Nov. 23, 1854	Nov. 23, 1854	91	164	255	43	15	5	20	6	3	0	9	4	7	200
Greenwich,	*In* 1749	Edward P. Blodgett,	July 5, 1843	July 5, 1843	30	97	127	19	5	2	7	5	8	0	13	1	3	200
Hadley, 1st ch.	*In* 1759	Rowland Ayres,	Jan. 12, 1848	Jan. 12, 1848	63	110	173	37	1	3	4	4	4	0	8	0	2	232
" 2d ch.	*Oct.* 26, 1831	Warren H. Beaman,	Sep. 15, 1841	Sep. 15, 1841	35	78	113	17	1	4	5	2	7	1	10	0	6	140
" Russell ch.	*July* 15, 1841	Franklin Tuxbury,	July 15, 1857	July 15, 1857	30	71	101	4	0	3	3	2	1	0	3	0	6	75
Hatfield,	*In* 1670	John M. Greene,	Oct. 20, 1857	Oct. 20, 1857	100	150	250	18	0	3	3	7	6	0	13	0	6	133
Leverett,	*Oct.* 10, 1784	David Eastman,	Feb. 12, 1840	Feb. 12, 1840	33	65	98	18	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	0	90
Pelham,	*Oct.* 25, 1837	None,			5	22	27	17	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	50
Prescott,	*Jan.* 15, 1823	David Bancroft,	Oct. 20, 1838	June 3, 1858	11	19	30	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
South Hadley, 1st ch.	*Oct.* 3, 1733	None,			73	164	237	31	10	1	11	2	8	0	10	4	6	150
Total, 17		14 Pastors, no s. s., 3 vacant chhs.			1027	1991	3018	426	67	79	146	61	79	2	142	19	54	2270

OTHER MEMBERS.—James Bates, farmer, Granby, ordained Nov. 14, 1827; George E. Fisher, Amherst, ord. Feb. 27, 1850; Roswell Hawks, Agent, South Hadley, ord. April 20, 1825; Edward Hitchcock, D. D., Prof. Amherst College, ord. June 21, 1821; Aaron Warner, Amherst, ord. Sept. 1, 1824; John Woodbridge, D. D., Hadley, ord. June 20, 1810; William Tyler, Pawtucket, ord. Feb. 24, 1819.—7. Dana Goodsell, East Haven, Ct., ord. Sept. 27, 1837; John A. Nash, Editor, New York City, ord. Oct. 19, 1836; Joseph H. Patrick, stated supply, Wellfleet, ord. Nov. 22, 1827.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in February, May, August, and September.

FRANKLIN TUXBURY, Hadley, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

13. HARMONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1857.			Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms.		Sab. Sch.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof. Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Blackstone,	*Apr.* 15, 1841	*Thomas E. Bliss,	June 2, 1852	Stated sup.	20	41	61	30	0	7	7	0	0	0	0	3	95
Douglas, 1st ch.	*Nov.* 11, 1747	Gilbert B. Richardson,	June 30, 1857	June 30, 1857	17	41	58	18	3	2	5	1	0	0	1	0	1	60
" East,	*June* 12, 1834	Joshua L. Maynard,	Jan. 14, 1841	July 7, 1852	46	103	149	15	2	5	7	2	1	0	3	2	3	225
Grafton,	*Dec.* 28, 1731	Thomas C. Biscoe,	July 18, 1838	July 18, 1838	115	208	323	42	17	1	18	2	8	0	10	1	4	306
Millbury, 1st ch.	*Oct.* 10, 1747	†Edmund Y. Garrette,	Apr. 12, 1854	Sep. 30, 1857	42	87	129	23	0	4	4	3	4	0	7	0	2	120
" 2d ch.	*Aug.* 23, 1827	Lewis Jessup,	Nov. 19, 1851	Apr. 24, 1856	81	136	217	51	0	2	2	3	5	0	8	0	4	160
Northbridge,	*June* 6, 1782	None,			29	59	88	10	3	0	3	0	2	0	2	2	5	100
" Whitinsville,	*July* 31, 1834	Lewis F. Clark,	June 1, 1842	June 1, 1842	45	101	146	20	8	2	10	2	0	0	2	3	2	230
Sutton,	*Autumn* 1720	George Lyman,	Nov. 12, 1851	Nov. 12, 1851	47	113	160	35	0	1	1	4	4	0	8	0	2	140
Upton,	*In* 1735	Andrew J. Willard,	Apr. 30, 1857	Apr. 30, 1857	70	172	242	61	11	2	13	1	5	0	6	8	0	400
Uxbridge,	*Jan.* 6, 1730	Jacob J. Abbott,	Aug. 27, 1845	Apr. 3, 1850	27	129	156	39	0	0	0	3	5	0	8	0	0	235
Westboro',	*Oct.* 28, 1724	Luther H. Sheldon,	Aug. 1, 1844	Mar. 20, 1856	114	249	363	52	8	10	18	10	7	0	17	1	5	325
Total, 12		10 Pastors, 1 s. s., 1 vacant chh.			653	1412	2065	396	55	36	91	31	41	0	72	17	31	2450

Other Members.—William Bates, pastor, Falmouth, ordained Nov. 5, 1845; David Holman, Douglas, ord. (when?); Sidney Holman Teacher, Holyoke, ord. Jan. 16, 1853.—3. M. Burdett, Philadelphia, Pa., ord. (when?); John Orcutt, Agent of Colonization Society, Hartford, Ct., ord. Aug. 4, 1845.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in January, April, July, and October.

*Member of Taunton Association. †Member of Mendon Association.

Joshua L. Maynard, East Douglas, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

14. MENDON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad	Im.	Sch.
Dover,	*Oct.* 23, 1839	John Haskell,	Dec. 25, 1850	Dec 25, 1850	13	24	37	8	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	1	40
Foxborough,	*Nov.* 25, 1779	N. S. Dickinson,	May 27, 1846	Mar. 10, 1858	47	107	154	16	1	0	1	1	3	0	4	0	2	128
Franklin,	*Feb.* 16, 1738	Samuel Hunt,	July 17, 1839	Dec. 4, 1850	41	136	177	17	1	5	6	3	6	0	9	1	3	175
" South,	*Sep.* 13, 1855	None,			10	18	28	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	53
Mansfield,	*May* 9, 1838	Jacob Ide, Jr.	Mar. 26, 1856	Mar. 26, 1856	26	47	73	15	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	144
Medfield,	*Feb.* 6, 1828	Andrew Bigelow,	Aug. 25, 1841	Sep. 12, 1855	22	63	85	1	11	1	12	1	0	0	1	8	3	95
Medway, 1st ch.	Prob. 1714	*Jacob Roberts,	July 17, 1839	Oct 9, 1856	37	87	124	15	1	2	3	2	1	0	3	0	6	177
" 2d ch.	*Oct.* 4, 1750	Jacob Ide, D. D.	Nov. 2, 1814	Nov 2, 1814	49	120	169	38	2	4	6	2	8	0	10	2	4	125
" Village ch.	*Sep.* 7, 1838	David Sanford,	May 22, 1828	Oct. 3, 1838	50	141	194	40	17	3	20	3	6	1	10	6	2	150
Mendon,	*Aug.* 13, 1828	Elijah Demond,	Mar. 7, 1821	Stated sup.	10	30	40	5	1	0	1	1	4	0	5	0	0	30
Milford,	*July* 15, 1741	James T. Woodbury,	Aug. 20, 1832	July 15, 1852	67	131	198	10	21	12	33	5	6	0	11	15	14	300
Walpole,	*Nov.* 13, 1826	Ephraim W. Allen,	May 17, 1843	Pastor elect.	35	91	126	14	0	0	0	8	7	0	15	0	4	112
Wrentham,	*Apr.* 13, 1692	William L. Ropes,	Sep. 14, 1853	Sep. 14, 1853	45	171	216	46	0	1	1	5	4	0	9	0	2	260
" North,	*July* 18, 1839	Franklin Davis,	Oct. 6, 1847	Stated sup.	12	31	43	5	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	60
Total, 14		10 Pastors, 2 s. s., 2 vacant chhs.			464	1200	1664	230	61	28	89	34	47	1	82	33	43	1849

OTHER MEMBERS.—John Dwight, North Wrentham, ordained April 12, 1837; Sewall Harding, Sec Cong. Board of Publication, Boston, ord. Jan. 17, 1821; Calvin Hitchcock, D D., Wrentham, ord. Aug. 15, 1815; Asa Hixon, West Medway, ord Oct. 7, 1829; Caleb Kimball, West Medway, ord spring, 1832; Andrew H. Reed, Mendon, ord. Sept. 23, 1829; Thomas T. Richmond, Boston, ord. July 17, 1832; Lot B. Sullivan, Foxboro', ord. June 14, 1820; Joseph Thayer, Blackstone, ord. Oct. 16, 1848.—9. Edmund Y. Garrette, pastor, Millbury; Edwin H. Nevin, pastor, Chelsea; Daniel J. Poor, Gorham, Me., ord. March 11, 1840; Timothy D. P. Stone, Norwich, Ct., ord. March 1, 1843; Thomas Williams, Providence, R. I., ord. Jan. 1, 1807.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, April, and October, and the third Tuesday in June.

*Not a member of Association.

WILLIAM L. ROPES, Wrentham, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

15. MIDDLESEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Ashland,	*Jan.* 1835	Timothy F. Clary,	Dec. 12, 1849	Dec. 25, 1856	49	91	140	28	2	5	7	2	4	0	6	2	6	200
Concord,	*May* 22, 1826	Luther H. Angier,	Mar. 4, 1840	Chosen 1852	18	102	120	5	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	90
Framingham,	*Dec.* 8, 1701	Joseph C. Bodwell,	April 3, 1839	June 30, 1852	67	176	243	28	8	7	15	0	5	0	5	6	2	205
" Saxonville,	May 26, 1833	Henry Allen,	Sep. 30, 1852	Nov. 6, 1857	30	106	136	38	19	2	21	0	3	0	3	4	1	110
Holliston,	*Nov.* 20, 1728	Joshua T. Tucker,	Nov. 16, 1837	June 6, 1849	77	226	303	27	20	10	30	5	3	0	8	14	9	488
Hopkinton,	Sep. 2, 1724	John C. Webster,	Mar. 15, 1837	Dec. 18, 1838	52	117	169	14	6	2	8	4	3	1	8	2	5	100
Lincoln,	*Aug.* 20, 1747	William C. Jackson,	Oct. 14, 1835	Apr. 26, 1848	27	61	88	19	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	2	90
Marlboro',	*Oct.* 3, 1666	Levi A. Field,	Aug. 31, 1853	Aug. 31, 1853	50	116	166	12	2	4	6	1	2	0	3	2	5	318
Natick,	Feb. 1802	Elias Nason,	May 5, 1852	May 5, 1852	58	145	203	17	3	8	11	1	0	1	2	0	9	360
Sherborn,	*Mar.* 26, 1685	Edmund Dowse,	Oct. 10, 1838	Oct. 10, 1838	60	95	155	23	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	0	2	130
Southboro',	Feb. 17, 1831	William J. Breed,		June 23, 1858	55	111	166	30	2	3	5	2	3	2	7	1	0	125
Stowe,	Mar. 11, 1839	None,			6	24	30	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	Un.
Sudbury,	Aug. 1640	Erastus Dickinson,	Sep. 25, 1835	May 14, 1856	53	120	173	14	2	2	4	6	3	0	9	0	3	173
*Waltham,	Aug. 9, 1853	None,			11	47	58	8	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	40
Wayland,	May 21, 1858	None,			47	87	134	22	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	124
Total, 15		11 Pastors, 1 s. s., 3 vacant chhs.			660	1624	2284	282	66	43	109	27	30	4	61	33	46	2553

OTHER MEMBERS.—Joseph Haven, Professor in Amherst College, ordained Nov. 6, 1839; B. G. Northrop, Agent of Mass. Board of Education, Saxonville, ord. March 10, 1847; Charles V. Spear, Principal of Young Ladies' Institute, Pittsfield, ord. Oct. 27, 1852; Increase N. Tarbox, Sec. of Am. Ed. Soc., Framingham, ord. Nov. 22, 1845; William M. Thayer, Editor, Franklin, ord. June 20, 1849.—5.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, April, July, and October.

*This church is merged in the Trinitarian church in Waltham since Jan. 1, 1858.

LEVI A. FIELD, Marlboro', Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

16. MIDDLESEX UNION ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms.		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Acton,	*Mar.* 13, 1832	Joseph Garland,	June 21, 1848	Stated sup.	82	114	196	66	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	7	116
Ashby,	*June* 12, 1776	James M. Bell,	July 21, 1858	July 21, 1858	53	89	142	31	1	0	1	4	3	0	7	0	0	195
Assabet, in Stowe,	*Sep.* 23, 1852	Alpha Morton,	Feb. 14, 1844	Nov. 19, 1856	11	26	37	3	10	1	11	0	1	0	1	1	3	165
Boxboro',	*Apr.* 29, 1784	Leonard Luce,	April 8, 1829	Stated sup.	21	26	47	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	54
Dunstable,	*May* 12, 1767	None,			22	41	63	8	1	2	3	4	2	0	6	1	0	100
Fitchburg, Calv. ch.	*Jan.* 27, 1768	Alfred Emerson,	Oct. 15, 1845	June 2, 1858	107	217	324	56	3	1	4	5	9	0	14	1	0	377
" Trinit. ch.	1843	*Elnathan Davis,	Nov. 9, 1836		35	62	97	11	15	10	25	2	2	0	4	12		203
Groton,	*July* 12, 1664	Edwin A. Bulkley,	Oct. 11, 1847	Sep. 18, 1850	54	148	202	20	3	7	10	7	8	0	15	0	2	200
Harvard,	*May* 17, 1821	John Dodge,	June 21, 1842	May 10, 1854	44	99	143	24	4	3	7	1	2	0	3	0	4	150
Lancaster,	*May* 22, 1839	Franklin B. Doe,	Oct. 19, 1854	Oct. 19, 1854	29	60	89	10	10	3	13	2	4	1	7	2	1	100
Leominster,	*Dec.* 25, 1822	Joseph W. Backus,	Sep. 29, 1852	Jan. 14, 1858	76	153	229	44	3	4	7	4	7	0	11	0	6	286
Littleton,	*May* 14, 1840	Elihu Loomis,	Oct. 22, 1851	Stated sup.	17	36	53	7	2	3	5	0	0	0	0	1	1	65
Lunenburg,	*June* 10, 1835	William A. Mandell,	April 1842	Jan. 2, 1856	31	71	102	15	2	1	3	2	1	0	3	0	2	105
Pepperell,	*Jan.* 29, 1747	Edward P. Smith,	June 11, 1856	June 11, 1856	99	175	274	62	6	5	11	7	7	0	14	3	0	150
Shirley,	*May* 12, 1828	Bronson B. Beardsley,	Oct. 8, 1850	Stated sup.	15	43	58	13	1	4	5	1	4	0	5	1	3	60
Townsend,	*Oct.* 16, 1734	Elisha W. Cook,	Nov. 18, 1846	Apr. 28, 1858	70	150	220	16	0	1	1	11	1	0	12	0	0	196
Westford,	*Dec.* 25, 1828	*D. O. Allen, D. D.		Stated sup.	23	61	84	12	0	2	2	0	3	0	3	0	3	150
Total, 17		11 Pastors, 5 s. s., 1 vacant chh.			789	1571	2360	408	61	47	108	54	56	1	111	22	32	2672

OTHER MEMBERS.—Daniel Butler, Sec. Mass. Bible Society, Groton, ordained Oct. 31, 1838; J. E. Edwards, Lancaster, ord. April 1840; Charles Hammond, Principal of Lawrence Academy, Groton, ord. Oct. 9, 1840; James Means, Andover, ord. Jan. 9, 1840; David Perry, Teacher of Private School, Pepperell, ord. May 1828; George Trask, Anti-Tobacconist, Fitchburg, ord. Sept. 15, 1830.—6.

*Not members of Association.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September, and November.

EDWIN A. BULKLEY, Groton, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

17. NORFOLK ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Abington, 1st ch.	Prob. 1712	Frederick R. Abbe,	Sept. 3, 1857	Sep. 3, 1857	63	104	167	11	37	0	37	0	2	0	2	26	0	200
" 2d cong. ch.	*Aug.* 19, 1807	Henry L. Edwards,	July 14, 1857	July 14, 1857	94	144	238	9	67	6	73	2	0	0	2	38	17	226
" 3d ch.	*Aug.* 27, 1813	Horace D. Walker,	Feb. 15, 1844	Feb. 15, 1840	58	121	179	7	63	8	71	1	1	0	2	38	10	250
" North,	*Oct.* 3, 1839	Isaac C. White,	Oct. 23, 1850	Oct. 3, 1850	44	86	130	7	26	6	32	1	1	0	2	20	0	200
Berkley, Trin. cong. c	*Sep.* 20, 1848	*J. Austin Roberts,	Oct. 20, 1824	Stated sup.	12	21	33	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	65
Braintree, 1st ch.	*Sep.* 10, 1807	R. S. Storrs, D. D.	July 3, 1811	July 3, 1811	47	128	175	15	8	3	11	4	1	0	5	2	3	130
" South,	*Nov.* 15, 1829	Dennis Powers,	Dec. 5, 1838	Dec. 4, 1856	32	72	104	10	24	4	28	0	4	0	4	13	5	206
Braintree and Weymouth, Union ch.	*Aug.* 14, 1811	Jonas Perkins,	June 14, 1815	June 14, 1815	52	106	158	10	5	4	9	5	1	0	6	2	18	200
Cohasset, 2d cong. ch.	*Nov.* 24, 1824	Frederick A. Reed,	Mar. 9, 1848	Mar. 9, 1848	14	81	95	12	2	1	3	2	1	0	3	1	0	141
Dorchester, 2d ch.	*Jan.* 1, 1808	James H. Means,	July 13, 1848	July 13, 1848	74	225	299	50	5	2	7	2	5	0	7	0	10	220
" Village ch.	*Mar.* 11, 1829	Theodore T. Munger,	Feb. 6, 1856	Feb. 6, 1856	40	98	138	24	3	0	3	4	0	0	4	1	6	120
" †Neponset,	*Mar.* 27, 1845	None,			5	9	14	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
E. & W. Bridgewater, Easton,	*June* 30, 1826	Philo B. Wilcox, Lyman White,	May 14, 1851	May 14, 1851	49	64	113	17	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	1	1	135
Hanson,	Aug. 31, 1749	None,	Oct. 23, 1849	Oct. 24, 1855	31	78	109	16	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	1	250
Hingham,	Dec. 21, 1847	E. Porter Dyer,	Sep. 25, 1839	Jan. 4, 1849	12	53	65	1	4	0	4	1	0	0	1	0	1	105
Milton, 1st ch.	*Apr.* 21, 1678	Albert K. Teele,	July 20, 1844	Dec. 18, 1850	9	19	28	7	6	2	8	1	0	0	1	3	6	70
" 2d ch.	Nov. 9, 1843	Edwin Leonard,	Mar. 25, 1852	Mar. 25, 1852	32	74	106	16	1	1	2	4	0	0	4	0	3	70
*Needham,	*May* 6, 1857	L. Root Eastman,	Nov. 15, 1837	Stated sup.	8	23	31	7	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	3	75
North Bridgewater, 1st	*Oct.* 15, 1740	Paul Couch,	March 1827	Oct. 7, 1835	14	21	35	0	4	31	35	0	0	0	0	3	7	67
" South cong. ch.	*Jan.* 3, 1837	Charles W. Wood,		Feb. 3, 1858	50	87	137	4	5	6	11	1	1	0	2	3	4	200
" Porter Ev. ch.	*Mar.* 6, 1850	Charles L. Mills,	April 1837	Aug. 11, 1852	45	77	122	7	0	0	0	1	6	0	7	0	0	175
Quincy,	Mar. 16, 1852	None,			66	128	194	9	6	0	6	4	7	0	11	2	0	260
Randolph,	*May* 28, 1731	Christop. M. Cordley,	Sep. 15, 1849	Mar. 3, 1852	30	98	128	28	7	0	7	0	1	0	1	1	5	180
" East,	*Dec.* 15, 1818	None,			40	78	118	7	0	1	1	2	2	5	9	0	3	128
" Winthrop c.	*Dec.* 30, 1856	Ezekiel Russell,	May 22, 1836	Feb. 3, 1857	18	48	66	9	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	60
Scituate, North,	Jan. 18, 1635	None,			21	54	75	0	15	1	16	0	1	0	1	8	2	130
Sharon,	*Jan.* 25, 1741	L. R. Phillips,	July 29, 1841	July 29, 1841	23	49	72	4	0	1	1	1	1	2	4	0	1	110
Stoughton, 1st ch.	*Aug.* 10, 1718	Thomas Wilson,	Mar. 1, 1848	Mar. 13, 1856	24	77	101	5	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	0	2	130
Weymouth, North, 1st	July 1623	Joshua Emery,	May 13, 1835	Jan. 25, 1838	31	57	88	22	1	4	5	2	1	0	3	1	1	100
" South, 2d	*Sep.* 18, 1723	James P. Terry,	Dec. 4, 1829	July 6, 1848	47	86	133	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	85
" Union ch.	Nov. 1, 1842	Stephen H Hayes,		Apr. 8, 1858	32	78	110	6	20	0	20	1	0	0	1	12	2	175
" North, Pilgrim c.	*Mar.* 11, 1852	Sam'l L. Rockwood,	Mar. 11, 1840	Mar. 2, 1855	20	55	75	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1	106
					15	45	60	2	0	0	0	1	2	1	4	0	0	120
Total. 33		26 Pastors, 2 s. s., 5 vacant chhs.			1152	2544	3696	329	312	83	395	49	43	8	100	175	112	4689

OTHER MEMBERS.—A. G. Duncan, Boston, ordained (when?); Willard M. Harding, Quincy, ord. May 20, 1840; Luther Sheldon, D. D., Easton, ord. Oct. 21, 1810; Willard Peirce, North Abington, ord. Nov. 17, 1824; Calvin Terry, North Weymouth, ord. Dec. 20, 1846; Daniel Wight, Jr., North Scituate, ord. Sept. 28, 1842.—6. Nelson Clark, Stated supply, Tiverton four corners, R. I.

Association meets on the last Tuesday in January, April, July, and October.

*Member of Old Colony Association. †This church has no public worship.

THEODORE T. MUNGER, Milton P. O., Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

18. OLD COLONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms.		Sab. Sch.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Dartmouth, South,	*Apr.* 1807	M. G. Wheeler,	Oct. 13, 1831	Nov. 15, 1855	18	57	75	20	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	1	4	86
Edgartown,	*July* 1841	*Nelson Scott,	Sep. 24, 1846	Stated sup.	27	72	99	6	0	2	2	2	3	0	5	0	0	100
Fairhaven,	*In* 1794	John Willard,	Jan. 25, 1855	Jan. 25, 1855	67	141	208	30	1	2	3	1	0	1	2	0	13	286
Marion,	*Oct.* 13, 1703	Leander Cobb,	Sep. 27, 1827	Dec. 1, 1841	16	38	54	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70
Mattapoisett,	*July* 28, 1736	*Wm. L. Parsons,	Aug. 22, 1841	Stated sup.	33	57	90	9	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	60
Middleboro', Central,	*Mar.* 25, 1847	Isaiah C. Thacher,	Dec. 25, 1844	Apr. 16, 1856	54	104	158	8	38	10	48	1	2	3	6	30	14	170
Nantucket,	Perhaps 1698	†Joseph E. Swallow,	July 18, 1848	May 21, 1856	57	255	312	14	1	1	2	3	12	0	15	0	6	245
New Bedford, 1st ch.		*Asahel Cobb,	Dec. 1825	Nov. 11, 1857	14	40	54	18	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	45
" North ch.	*Oct.* 15, 1807	Henry W. Parker,	May 9, 1848	Aug. 8, 1856	93	212	305	30	25	3	28	2	6	0	8	13	3	250
" Trinit. ch.	*Nov.* 15, 1831	Wheelock Craig,	Aug. 3, 1849	Dec. 4, 1850	36	85	121	14	21	6	27	2	6	0	8	11	8	280
" Pacific ch.	*Oct.* 1844	Timothy Stowe,	Apr. 11, 1854	Apr. 11, 1854	31	70	101	17	5	8	13	3	0	0	3	1	6	320
Rochester, Centre,	*Oct.* 13, 1703	E. W. Harrington,	Apr. 26, 1834	June 19, 1850	18	80	98	22	4	5	9	0	3	0	3	4	0	61
" North,	1758	Isaac Briggs,		Stated sup	9	13	22	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	30
Wareham,	*Dec.* 25, 1739	Homer Barrows,	June 1, 1836	Oct. 27, 1852	41	83	124	12	12	3	15	1	2	0	3	4	0	125
Total, 14		11 Pastors, 3 s. s., no vacant chhs.			514	1307	1821	205	108	40	148	20	38	4	62	64	54	2098

OTHER MEMBERS.—D. C. Burt, Berkley, ordained (when?); Nathaniel Cobb, Evangelist, Kingston, ord. Oct. 31, 1827; Azariah Eldridge, (where?) ord. (when?); Samuel Nott, Jr., (where?) ord. (when?).—4. William Gould, Iowa, ord. (when?); J. A. Roberts, Stated supply, Berkley, ord. Oct. 1824.

*Not members of Association. †A member of Woburn Association.

Association meets

TIMOTHY STOWE, New Bedford, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

19. *PLYMOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Bridgewater, Trin. ch.	Oct. 19, 1821	David Brigham,	Dec. 29, 1819	Apr. 23, 1846	28	55	83	20	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
" Scotland ch.	*July* 4, 1836	James L. Seagrave,	Dec. 3, 1851	Stated sup.	6	14	20	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	60
Carver,	*May* 13, 1733	†Wm. C. Whitcomb,	May 1, 1850	Stated sup.	24	54	78	6	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	60
Dighton,	1710	Enoch Sanford,	Oct. 2, 1823	May 18, 1856	17	30	47	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	85
E. Bridgewater, Tr. c.	Nov. 14, 1849	Baalis Sanford,	Oct. 4, 1827	Apr. 3, 1850	18	23	41	2	0	0	0	1	4	0	5	0	0	80
Halifax,	*Oct.* 16, 1734	Timothy G. Brainerd,	Nov. 5, 1840	June 27, 1855	19	29	48	2	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	2	127
Hanover, 1st ch.	*Dec.* 1728	Joseph Freeman,	Mar. 10, 1844	Apr. 18, 1855	14	43	57	10	3	0	3	0	2	0	2	1	5	90
" 2d ch.	Apr. 12, 1854	Joel Mann,	Nov. 15, 1815	Stated sup.	15	35	50	2	2	1	3	2	0	0	2	0	4	50
Kingston,	*Mar.* 19, 1828	B. Bosworth,	Nov. 5, 1857	Nov. 5, 1857	24	65	89	15	4	1	5	2	2	0	4	2	0	50
Lakeville,	*Oct.* 6, 1725	Augustine Root,	May 22, 1858	May 22, 1858	47	69	116	20	0	0	0	8	1	0	9	0	0	60
Marshfield, 1st ch.	After 1632	Ebenezer Alden, Jr.	Nov. 5, 1843	Oct. 30, 1850	21	35	56	1	1	0	1	2	1	0	3	1	1	120
" 2d Trin. ch.	July 4, 1835	None,			23	32	55	1	3	1	4	2	0	0	2	1	0	75
Middleboro', 1st ch.	Dec. 26, 1694	I. W. Putnam, D. D.	Mar. 15, 1815	Oct. 28, 1835	50	114	164	32	4	5	9	3	2	0	5	3	2	170
" North, 1st ch.	1748	Elbridge G. Little,	Oct. 12, 1848	Stated sup.	27	71	98	3	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	158
Plymouth, 2d ch.	*Nov.* 8, 1738	Daniel H. Babcock,	Nov. 7, 1839	June 16, 1853	61	83	144	20	0	6	6	3	1	0	4	0	1	100
" 3d ch.	*Oct.* 1, 1801	Nath'l. B. Blanchard,	July 15, 1856	Stated sup.	57	135	192	9	1	3	4	0	0	2	2	0	3	200
" Chiltonville,	June 18, 1818	None,			26	54	80	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70
Plympton,	*Oct.* 27, 1698	Josiah Ballard,	Aug. 5, 1835	Stated sup.	31	88	119	22	18	2	20	1	1	0	2	15	4	150
Total, 18		10 Pastors, 6 s. s., 2 vacant chhs.			508	1029	1537	175	37	24	61	27	16	2	45	23	22	1765

OTHER MEMBERS.—Calvin Chapman, (where?) ordained Dec. 8, 1842; Timothy Davis, Kingston, ord. Nov. 16, 1808; Ebenezer Gay, Bridgewater, ord. Jan. 7, 1818; Stetson Raymond, Bridgewater, ord. April 9, 1817; Otis Thompson, Abington, ord. Sept. 24, 1800.—5.

*PLYMOUTH ASSOCIATION was organized May 18, 1858, by the union of BRIDGEWATER and PILGRIM Associations.

†Member of Woburn Association.

Association meets on the third Tuesday in May, August, and November.

EBENEZER ALDEN, Jr., Marshfield, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

20. SALEM ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms.		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem	Tot.	Abs.	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Beverly, Dane-st. ch.	*Nov.* 9, 1802	Joseph Abbott,		Oct. 23, 1834	62	91	153	0	4	0	4	5	0	0	5	0	sev'l	200
" 4th ch.	1834	*Henry A. Lounsbury	Feb. 18, 1856	Stated sup.	2	21	23	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Boxford, 1st ch.	*In* 1702	Wm. S. Coggin,	May 9, 1838	May 9, 1838	27	56	83	8	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	150
Danvers, 1st ch.	Nov. 16, 1689	M. P. Braman, D. D.	Apr. 12, 1826	Apr. 12, 1826	55	105	160	3	18	2	20	4	0	0	4	7	5	311
Lynn, 1st ch.	*In* 1632	Parsons Cooke, D. D.	June 20, 1826	May 4, 1836	67	208	275	10	4	2	6	2	0	0	2	1	1	300
" Central ch.	*Dec.* 11, 1850	Jotham B. Sewall,	Feb. 28, 1855	Feb. 28, 1855	20	52	72	7	4	0	4	0	1	0	1	1	3	169
Lynnfield, South, 2d c.	Jan. 18, 1854	Allen W. Gannett,		Stated sup.			12											
Marblehead,	*Aug.* 13, 1684	Benjamin R. Allen,	Sep. 11, 1830	Nov. 8, 1854	50	314	364	50	0	0	0	4	2	0	6	0	4	250
Salem, Tabernacle ch.	*Aug.* 6, 1629	S. M. Worcester, D.D.	Jan. 4, 1832	Dec. 3, 1834	77	318	395	15	3	5	8	12	1	0	13	0	9	350
Saugus, 1st ch.	*In* 1732	Levi Brigham,	Mar. 15, 1837	May 7, 1851	12	26	38	5	2	5	7	1	1	0	2	0	1	120
Swampscott, 1st ch.	*July* 15, 1846	Jonas B. Clark,	Nov 5, 1842	July 15, 1846	8	46	54	3	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	3	205
Topsfield,	1663	Anson McLoud,	Dec. 8, 1841	Dec. 8, 1841	57	122	179	15	6	2	8	2	0	0	2	4	2	175
Wenham,	Oct. 8, 1644	None,			36	83	119	12	0	2	2	3	3	0	6	0	0	200
Total, 13		10 Pastors, 2 s. s., 1 vacant chh.			473	1442	1927	132	43	18	61	33	9	0	42	14	30	2470

OTHER MEMBERS.—Joseph Tracy, Sec. Mass. Colonization Society, Beverly, ordained June 26, 1821.—1.

*Not a member of Association.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in February, April, June, August, October, and December.

JONAS B. CLARK, Swampscott, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

21. SUFFOLK NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.			Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Boston, Old South ch.	May 12–16 1669	G. W. Blagden, D. D. †Jacob M. Manning,	Jan. 1854	Sep. 28, 1836 Mar. 11, 1857	78	305	383		5	9	14	9	4	0	13	2		190
" Bowdoin-st. c.	*July* 18, 1825	None,			119	292	411	100	12	5	17		38	0	38	1		333
" Central ch.	*May* 11, 1835	George Richards,	Oct. 8, 1845	Oct. 8, 1845	136	289	425		17	10	27	4	18	0	22	7	10	230
Cambridge, 1st ch.	*Feb.* 1, 1636	John A. Albro, D. D.	Nov. 21, 1827	Apr. 15, 1835	91	231	322	4	3	2	5	5	11	0	16	1	9	200
" Port, 1st ch.	*Sep.* 20, 1827	Edward W. Gilman,	Dec. 4, 1849	Sep. 9, 1856	115	239	354	90	6	21	27	4	8	2	14	3	12	344
" " 2d ch.	1842	George E. Allen,	May 19, 1858	May 19, 1858	17	37	54	8	2	3	5	0	1	0	1	1	4	112
" North, Holmes c.	*Sep.* 23, 1857	None,					43	2	1	44	45	2	0	0	2			110
Charlestown, 1st ch.	*Nov.* 2, 1632	James B. Miles,	Jan. 2, 1855	Jan. 2, 1855	78	198	276	58	21	10	31	6	12	2	20	5	5	298
" Winthrop ch.	*Jan.* 9, 1833	None,			108	256	364	79	5	14	19	3	10	0	13	1	5	525
Chelsea, Winnis't ch.	*Sep.* 20, 1841	None,			94	190	284	50	16	8	24	1	7	0	8	10	12	402
" Broadway ch.	Apr. 2, 1851	Joseph A. Copp,		Jan. 7, 1852	64	125	189	3	5	12	17	1	5	4	10	2	6	250
" Plymouth ch.	*Jan.* 7, 1857	‡Edwin H. Nevin,	1839	Apr. 29, 1857	23	40	63	0	15	48	63	0	0	0	0		14	345
Malden, South,	Mar. 16, 1848	None,			18	40	58	3	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	3	158
Needham, West,	1798	A. R. Baker,	1838	1856	34	67	101	22	2	0	2	2	0	0	2	0	3	140
Newton, 1st ch.	Aug. 2, 1664	Daniel L. Furber,	Dec. 1, 1847	Dec. 1, 1847	47	98	145	23	4	2	6	2	1	0	3	1	4	107
North Chelsea,	May 9, 1828	None,			8	16	24	5	6	2	8	1	0	0	1	3	0	46
Reading, Old South,	*Feb.* 21, 1770	William Barrows,	Sep. 4, 1845	Feb. 20, 1856	57	122	179	13	36	10	46	0	0	0	0	15	1	225
Somerville,	*May* 3, 1853	None,			33	68	101	4	32	10	42	0	1	0	1	19	5	350
Waltham, Tr. cong. ch.	*Sep.* 28, 1820	R. B. Thurston,	Nov. 11, 1846	Acting pastor	24	77	101	37	0	2	2	1	2	0	3	0	2	70
Total, 19		12 Pastors, 1 s. s., 7 vacant chhs.			1144	2690	3877	501	188	217	405	41	118	8	167	71	95	4435

OTHER MEMBERS.—Rufus Anderson, D. D., Sec. A. B. C. F. M., Boston, ordained May 10, 1826; George C. Beckwith, D. D., Sec. Peace Society, Boston, ord. July 1827; Seth Bliss, Boston, ord. June 1, 1825; Asa Bullard, Sec. Mass. S. S. Society, Boston, ord. Jan. 13, 1832; W. Bushnell, Physician, Boston, ord. Aug. 8, 1832; Dorus Clark, Waltham, ord. Feb. 23, 1823; Wm. M. Cornell, Physician, Boston, ord. Jan. 19, 1830; Lyman Gilbert, D. D., Teacher, Newton Corner, ord. July 2, 1828; Benjamin Judkins, Jr., Somerville, ord. April 1, 1851; Isaac P. Langworthy, Sec. Am. Cong. Union, Chelsea, ord. Nov. 10, 1841; Edwards A. Park, D. D., Prof. of Theology, Andover, ord. Dec. 21, 1831; Swan L. Pomeroy, Sec. A. B. C. F. M., Boston, ord. Aug. 31, 1825; Francis G. Pratt, Middleboro', ord. Oct. 19, 1849; John Whitney, Waltham, ord. Oct. 15, 1834—14. A. W. McClure, New York, ord. (when?); J. H. Northrup, (where?) ord. (when?); W. A. Stearns, D. D., Pres. Amherst College; Jared B. Waterbury, D. D., Conn., ord. (when?)

Association meets on the fourth Tuesday in February, April, September, October, and December, and the second Tuesday in June.

*Not a member of the Association. †Member of Suffolk South. ‡Member of Mendon.

WILLIAM BARROWS, Reading, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan 1, 1857.			Admitted 1857.				Removed 1857.				Baptisms.		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Int.	Sch.
Boston, Park-st. ch.	*Feb.* 27, 1809	Andrew L. Stone,	Sep. 3, 1844	Jan. 25, 1849	255	545	800	125	82	42	124	5	24	0	29	15	20	404
" Essex-st. Un. ch.	*June* 10, 1822	Neh. Adams, D. D.	Dec. 17, 1829	Mar. 26, 1834	141	348	489	50	25	8	33	2	12	2	16	5	6	236
" Salem-st. ch.	*Sep.* 2, 1827	George W. Field,	Nov. 15, 1853	Oct. 15, 1856	168	338	506	200	32	6	38	2	16	2	20	7	8	400
" Pine-st. ch.	*Sep.* 2, 1827	Henry M. Dexter,	Nov. 6, 1844	Apr. 18, 1849	73	203	276	50	12	16	28	2	16	0	18	6	8	760
" Mariners' ch.	*Jan.* 20, 1830	Elijah Kellogg,	June, 1844	Act. pastor	44	28	72	5	10	2	12	0	4	0	4	0	1	140
" Mt. Vernon c.	*June* 1, 1842	Edward N. Kirk, D. D.	Oct. 23, 1828	June 1, 1842	225	407	632	183	11	16	27	14	51	4	69	2	21	428
" Shawmut ch	*Nov.* 20, 1845	Charles Smith,	Oct. 10, 1847	Dec. 3, 1853	76	154	230	46	18	29	47	2	9	0	11	6	11	449
" South, Phillips c.	*Dec.* 10, 1823	None,			50	112	162	60	3	6	9	5	87	0	92	2	12	250
" Ch. of the Unity,	*Oct.* 14, 1857	Charles S. Porter,	Aug. 1, 1832	Stated sup.	32	58	90	0	4	86	90	1	0	0	1	0	1	312
" East, Maverick c.	*May* 31, 1836	*T. N. Haskell,		June 24, 1858	113	264	377	38	9	8	17	2	11	0	13	2	4	540
Brighton, Evang. ch.	Sep. 13, 1827	Thomas O. Rice,	Jan. 1, 1845	Apr. 6, 1858	33	98	131	39	13	7	20	2	3	0	5	4	4	131
Brookline, Harvard c.	*Aug.* 26, 1844	Matson M. Smith,	Oct. 23, 1849	June 5, 1851	38	82	120	11	5	9	14	0	7	0	7	3	8	158
Cambridge, East,	*Sep.* 8, 1842	Richard G. Greene,	June 25, 1856	Mar. 31, 1858	31	55	86	34	1	2	3	5	21	0	26	0	1	144
Canton,	July 3, 1828	None,			10	25	35	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	70
Dedham, South,	*June* 23, 1736	Moses M. Colburn,	June 12, 1851	Oct. 28, 1852	23	60	83	12	3	2	5	2	0	0	2	1	4	221
Needham, Grantville,	*Feb.* 24, 1848	Edward S. Atwood,	Oct. 23, 1856	Oct. 23, 1856	23	33	56	6	2	3	5	2	2	0	4	0	4	80
Newton, 2d ch.	Oct. 21, 1781	George B. Little,	Oct. 11, 1849	Nov. 12, 1857	42	70	112	3	2	2	4	5	4	0	9	1	0	163
" Eliot ch.	July 1, 1845	Joshua W. Wellman,	June 18, 1851	June 11, 1856	54	79	133	18	5	15	20	1	6	0	7	1	5	226
" Auburndale,	*Nov.* 14, 1850	*Edward W. Clark,	Jan. 1, 1850	July 1, 1857	33	42	75	17	19	2	21	0	0	0	0	3	3	110
Roxbury, Eliot ch.	Sep. 18, 1834	Aug. C. Thompson,	July 27, 1842	July 27, 1842	98	207	305	52	33	46	79	8	50	0	58	6	10	580
" Vine-st. ch.	*Apr.* 9, 1857	John O. Means,	Dec. 3, 1851	June 3, 1857	24	30	54	0	1	53	54	0	0	0	0	0	3	155
Watertown, Phillips c.	*Apr.* 17, 1855	Stephen R. Dennen,	July 11, 1855	July 11, 1855	11	46	57	6	7	7	14	2	0	0	2	2	1	65
W. Cambridge, Ev. c.	*Dec.* 14, 1842	Daniel R. Cady,	Oct. 27, 1845	Feb. 14, 1856	34	69	103	22	6	7	13	3	5	0	8	4	0	115
W. Roxbury, S. Ev. c.	*June* 11, 1835	Thomas Laurie,	Mar. 6, 1842	May 7, 1851	30	68	98	10	3	5	8	4	0	0	4	1	1	100
" Jamaica Plain,—Mather ch.	*Feb.* 15, 1853	Alonzo H. Quint,	Dec 27, 1853	Dec. 27, 1853	33	48	81	11	13	12	25	0	5	1	6	3	6	139
Total, 25		21 Pastors, 2 s. s., 2 vacant chhs.			1694	3469	5163	1008	319	391	610	70	333	9	412	74	142	6376

OTHER MEMBERS.—John W. Alvord, Sec. of Am. Tract Society, Boston, ordained Sept. 16, 1836; Joseph S. Clark, D. D., Cor. Sec. of Cong. Library Association, Boston, ord. Dec. 21, 1831; Austin Phelps, D. D., Prof. Theol. Sem., Andover, ord. March 30, 1842; Samuel H. Riddel, Boston, ord. June 27, 1827; Selah B. Treat, Sec. A. B. C. F. M., Boston, ord. March 24, 1836; J. E. Woodbridge, Boston, ord. (when?).—6. Lyman Beecher, D. D., Brooklyn, N. Y., ord. (when?); Solomon Clark, (where?) ord. April 14, 1841; Charles Jones, pastor, Battle Creek, Michigan, ord. (when?); Jacob M. Manning, Associate pastor, Old South, which see in Suffolk North; Christopher Marsh, pastor elect, Sandford, Me. ord. June 4, 1823.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September, and November.

*Not members of the Association.

JOHN O. MEANS, Roxbury, Scribe; ALONZO H. QUINT, Jamaica Plain, Statistical Scribe.

23. TAUNTON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.			Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms.		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Attleboro', 1st ch. W'st	*In* 1710	*Benjamin C. Chase,		Stated sup.	30	77	107	11	4	2	6	2	0	0	2	3	1	85
" 2d ch.	*Nov.* 30, 1748	*Jonathan Crane,	Oct. 20, 1836	Stated sup.	58	171	229	27	3	0	3	4	4	0	8	0	3	250
Berkley,	*Nov.* 2, 1737	John D. Smith,		Stated sup.	39	76	115	25	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	9	120
Fall River, Central,	Nov. 16, 1812	Eli Thurston,	Jan. 8, 1838	Mar. 21, 1849	84	136	220	14	32	10	42	5	16	0	21	17	2	325
Freetown, Assonet,	*Apr.* 24, 1807	A. G. Duncan,	May 13, 1829	Stated sup.	8	18	26	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Norton,	*Apr.* 3, 1832	Franklin Holmes,	Sep. 15, 1852	Sep. 15, 1852	47	83	130	26	0	1	1	1	7	0	8	0	2	122
Pawtucket,	*Apr.* 17, 1829	Constantine Blodgett,	Oct. 19, 1830	July 27, 1836	68	223	291	60	2	7	9	1	6	0	7	1	6	290
Raynham,	Oct 19, 1731	None,			38	113	151	23	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	5	180
Rehoboth,	*Nov.* 29, 1721	*Walter P. Doe,	Nov. 10, 1847	Stated sup.	32	87	119	22	1	2	3	2	0	0	2	1	6	146
Seekonk,		James O. Barney,	Feb. 4, 1824	Feb. 4, 1824	32	69	101	14	12	1	13	0	0	0	0	5	0	165
Taunton, 1st ch.	*May* 1637	Alvan Cobb,	Apr. 19, 1815	Apr. 19, 1815	32	71	103	21	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	120
" Trin. cong. ch.	*Aug.* 17, 1821	Erastus Maltby,	Sep. 29, 1824	Jan. 18, 1826	103	275	378	43	13	12	25	5	7	0	12	7	8	320
" Winslow ch.	*Jan.* 12, 1837	Mortimer Blake,	Dec. 4, 1839	Dec. 4, 1855	64	112	176	18	12	2	14	1	6	0	7	7	6	170
" East ch.	*June* 16, 1853	James R. Cushing,	Aug. 12, 1829		5	9	14	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	99
†Westport,	*May* 31. 1858	*Isaac Dunham,		Stated sup.			11		9	2	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total, 15		8 Pastors, 6 s. s., 1 vacant chh.			640	1520	2160	310	79	39	118	25	47	0	72	41	51	2422

OTHER MEMBERS.—Robert Carver, Norton, ordained Nov. 21, 1838; Charles D. Lothrop, Attleboro', ord. Dec. 14, 1854; S. B. Morley, (where?) ord. (when?); John Sandford, Taunton, ord. April 24, 1816; Samuel Woodbury, Freetown, ord. (when?).—5. Thomas E. Bliss, Stated supply, 'Blackstone.

Association meets on the last Tuesday in March, July, and November.

*Not members of the Association. †See Explanations, (3) on page 33.

FRANKLIN HOLMES, Norton, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms.		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Barnstable, West,	1616	Hiram Carlton,	Jan. 4, 1838	Mar. 20, 1853	33	47	80	3	2	0	2	4	0	0	4	2	2	60
" Cotuit and vic.	Aug. 17, 1670	None,			5	22	27		0	0	0							0
" Centreville,	*May* 23, 1840	Ebenezer Burgess,	Mar. 16, 1839	Stated sup.	28	55	83	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Chilmark,	1690—1700	Thomas W. Duncan,	June 13, 1821	Stated sup.	1	15	16	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	20
Falmouth, 1st ch.	1718	*William Bates,	Nov 5, 1845	June 16, 1858	55	149	204	6	0	1	1	3	8	0	11	0	6	150
" East,	*June* 20, 1821	George Ford,	Oct. 7, 1846	May 21, 1856	18	27	45	8	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	0	50
" North,	*In* 1833	Levi Wheaton.	Jan. 23, 1849	Stated sup.	40	53	93	16	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	42
" East, 2d ch.	*July* 3, 1849	None,			13	38	51	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	60
Sandwich,	*In* 1638	William Carruthers,	June 16, 1858	June 16, 1858	38	85	123	15	0	0	0	3	6	0	9	0	0	85
" Monument,	*July* 9, 1833	Ezekiel Dow,	Feb. 12, 1845	Feb. 12, 1845	10	22	32	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	40
Tisbury, 1st ch.		None,			14	29	43	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0
" Holmes Hole,	May 9, 1844	None,			4	9	13	9	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	30
Total, 12		5 Pastors, 3 s. s., 4 vacant chhs.			259	551	810	81	2	1	3	16	19	2	37	2	8	637

OTHER MEMBERS.—Elisha Bacon, Teacher, Centreville, ordained Oct. 19, 1827; Henry B. Hooker, D. D., Sec. Mass. Home Miss. Society, Boston, ord. Sept. 1825.—2.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in May, and October.

*Member of Harmony Association.

GEORGE FORD, East Falmouth, Scribe; HENRY B. HOOKER, D. D., Boston, Statistical Scribe.

25. WOBURN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms		Sab. Sch.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Bedford,	July 15, 1730	Henry J. Patrick,	Nov. 16, 1854	Nov. 16, 1854	48	124	172	16	0	1	1	1	4	0	5	0	4	130
Billerica,	*Apr.* 30, 1829	Jesse G. D. Stearns,	May 10, 1843	May 10, 1843	19	51	70	20	8	3	11	0	3	0	3	5	0	40
Burlington,	*Oct.* 29, 1735	None,			15	30	45	14	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	41
Carlisle,	*Feb.* 28, 1781	John Lawrence,	Aug 2, 1848	May 5, 1853	12	46	58	6	1	1	2	3	2	0	5	1	0	60
Malden, 1st ch.	*In* 1649	Charles E. Reed,			43	94	137	40	1	3	4	1	6	0	7	0	0	180
Medford, 1st Tr. ch.	*Oct.* 2, 1823	Elihu P. Marvin,	Jan. 23, 1845	Feb. 25, 1852	40	113	153	57	7	7	14	2	6	0	8	2	1	113
" Mystic ch.	*July* 6, 1847	None,			28	87	115	14	0	4	4	1	4	0	5	0	0	170
Melrose,	*July* 11, 1848	Alexander J. Sessions,	June 6, 1838	Jan. 12, 1854	22	34	56	6	5	6	11	0	1	0	1	3	8	109
North Reading,	June 29, 1720	Thomas N. Jones,		May 24, 1848	Oct. 19, 1853	17	26	43	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Reading, Bethesda ch.	*Apr.* 17, 1849	William H. Willcox,	Mar. 5, 1851	July 2, 1857	67	100	167	14	17	9	26	4	11	0	15	10	9	245
South Reading,	*Nov.* 5, 1645	*Reuben Emerson, Joseph B. Johnson,	Feb. 19, 1800	Oct. 17, 1804 Jan. 4, 1855 Aug. 12, 1857	58	100	158	30	4	2	6	3	4	0	7	4	0	200
					32	84	116	25	0	3	3	1	6	3	10	0	3	136
Stoneham,	*July* 2, 1729	None,			25	63	88	15	3	5	8	5	1	0	6	2	4	100
Wilmington,	*Oct.* 24, 1733	Samuel H. Tolman,	Aug. 14, 1856	Aug. 14, 1856	77	142	219	17	6	8	14	1	9	0	10	2	9	280
Winchester,	*Nov.* 19, 1840	Reuben T. Robinson,	Oct. 27, 1852	Oct. 27, 1852	192	323	515	50	74	25	99	8	15	0	23	35	26	414
Woburn, 1st ch	*Aug* 14, 1642	Daniel March,	Apr. 29, 1845	Oct. 1, 1856	11	36	47	3	2	5	7	1	1	0	2	2	1	100
" North,	*Nov* 22, 1849	None,																
Total, 16		13 Pastors, no s. s., 4 vacant chhs.			648	1353	2001	303	124	80	204	29	72	3	104	62	65	2218

OTHER MEMBERS.—Dana Cloyes, South Reading, ordained July 4, 1821; George Gannett, Teacher, Boston, ord. June 14, 1849; Charles P. Grosvenor, Stoneham, ord. July 16, 1834; Abel Patten, Burlington, ord. Feb. 7, 1832; H. K. W. Perkins, Medford, ord. (when?); Samuel Sewall, Burlington, ord. April 13, 1814.—6 Wm. Barrows, Pastor, Reading; George T. Dole, Stated supply, Lanesboro'; Joseph D. Hull, Teacher, Hartford, Ct., ord. Jan. 31, 1844; Joseph E. Swallow, Pastor, Nantucket; Wm. C. Whitcomb, Stated supply, Carver.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September, and November.

*Member of Essex South Association.

HENRY J. PATRICK, Bedford, Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Auburn,	Jan. 25, 1776	L. Ives Hoadley,	Oct. 15, 1823	May 12, 1854	40	79	119	29	1	1	2	4	4	0	8	0	0	50
Barre,	Aug. 15, 1827	George Denham,	Nov. 2, 1843	Dec. 3, 1856	51	133	184	47	2	6	8	3	1	4	8	2	2	150
Berlin,	Sep. 26, 1781	Wm. A. Houghton,	July 5, 1843	Oct. 26, 1853	30	59	89	12	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	1	150
Boylston,	Oct. 6, 1743	None,			44	100	144	34	27	2	29	1	2	0	3	14	5	150
Clinton,	Nov. 14, 1844	W. W. Winchester,	Mar. 23, 1854	Mar. 23, 1854	48	122	170	29	17	6	23	2	8	0	10	8	1	260
Holden,	Dec. 20, 1742	Wm. P. Paine, D. D.,	Oct. 24, 1833	Oct. 24, 1833	99	237	336	46	3	5	8	8	0	0	8	1	1	250
Leicester,	Mar. 30, 1721	{ John Nelson, D. D.	Mar. 4, 1812	Mar. 4, 1812														
		{ A. H Coolidge,	Apr. 21, 1857	Apr. 21, 1857	88	151	239	5	22	3	25	2	3	3	8	12	6	257
Northboro',	Apr. 12, 1832	S. S. Ashley,	Aug. 1, 1849	June 16, 1852	26	70	96	38	2	2	4	2	1	0	3	0	3	125
Oxford,	Jan. 18, 1721	H. Bardwell, D. D.	June 21, 1815	June 8, 1836	66	143	209	54	9	8	17	4	4	0	8	2	0	180
Paxton,	Sep. 3, 1767	William Phipps,	Nov. 11, 1840	Nov. 11, 1840	31	74	105	7	2	0	2	3	3	0	6	0	2	175
Princeton,	Aug. 13, 1764	William T. Briggs,	Nov. 4, 1846	Feb 13, 1856	51	98	149	15	3	10	13	2	3	0	5	2	7	180
Rutland,	Oct. 9, 1727	Clarendon Waite,	Feb. 25, 1858	Feb. 25, 1858	65	133	198	49	10	4	14	2	6	0	8	8	4	186
Shrewsbury,	Dec 4, 1723	None,			79	143	222	32	0	3	3	6	4	0	10	0	0	200
Sterling,	*June* 22, 1852	William Miller,	Oct. 1845	May 9, 1855	16	34	50	8	0	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	95
Webster,	*June* 13, 1838	None,			40	80	120	25	0	2	2	3	2	0	5	0	0	80
West Boylston,	Sep. 15, 1796	Joseph W. Cross,	Oct. 1, 1834	Mar. 11, 1840	83	188	271	35	1	0	1	5	5	0	10	0	1	250
Worcester, 1st par.	1716	Horace James,	Nov 1, 1843	Feb. 3, 1853	142	302	444	69	14	21	35	4	12	1	17	3	7	543
" Calvinist,	Aug. 16, 1820	Seth Sweetser, D. D.	Nov. 23, 1836	Dec. 19, 1838	100	229	329	46	5	11	16	7	6	1	14	3	1	300
" Union,	*Feb.* 3, 1836	Ebenezer Cutler,	Mar. 6, 1850	Sept 6, 1855	170	315	485	56	15	10	25	3	7	0	10	8	4	504
" Salem-st.	June 14, 1848	M. Richardson,	Sept. 1841	Jan. 27, 1858	75	139	214	49	0	8	8	3	13	1	17	0	0	227
Total, 20		18 Pastors, no s. s., 3 vacant chhs.			1344	2829	4173	685	133	108	241	64	86	10	160	63	45	4312

OTHER MEMBERS.—George Bushnell, Worcester, ordained Dec. 13, 1848; Preston Cummings, Leicester, ord. Aug. 23, 1825; Rodney A. Miller, Worcester, ord. June 7, 1827; Miner G. Pratt, Agent Am. Col. Soc., Andover, ord. Oct 22, 1828; Wm. H. Sanford, Worcester, ord. Oct. 17, 1832; William T. Sleeper, Chaplain of State Reform School, Westboro', ord. June 29, 1854; N. W. Williams, Shrewsbury, ord. Feb. 28, 1849; Isaac R. Worcester, Dist. Sec. of A. B. C. F. M., Auburndale, ord. (when?).—8. Charles F. Morse, Missionary of A. B. C. F. M., Northern Armenia, ord. Aug. 13, 1856.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September, and November.

A. H. COOLIDGE, Leicester, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

27. WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.	Organized.	Ministers.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admitted 1857.			Removed 1857.				Baptisms.		Sab.
					Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Ashburnham,	Apr. 23, 1760	Thomas Boutelle,	May 21, 1834	Stated sup.	71	105	176	27	0	0	0	7	11	0	18	0	0	125
" North,	Feb. 21, 1843	*Asa Barnes,	Methodist.	Stated sup.	13	15	28	18	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	56
Athol,	Aug. 29, 1750	John F. Norton,	Oct. 23, 1844	Mar. 17, 1852	50	126	176	14	0	4	4	6	5	0	11	0	2	200
Gardner, 1st ch.	Feb. 1, 1786	John C. Paine,	June 6, 1838	Jan. 12, 1848	38	76	114	3	22	10	32	0	2	0	2	13	3	200
" Evan. ch.	Aug. 11, 1830	J. Warren Healy,	Jan. 1, 1857	Dec. 3, 1857	52	102	154	21	13	4	17	2	1	0	3	3	2	230
Hubbardston,	Feb. 14, 1770	Cyrus W. Allen,	Oct. 6, 1833	Dec. 29, 1852	43	112	155	30	2	1	3	1	1	0	2	0	4	140
New Salem,	Aug. 15, 1845	Erastus Curtiss,	Nov. 1833	Stated sup	9	29	38	8	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	40
Petersham,	June 25, 1823	Charles Kendall,	Jan. 24, 1844	Stated sup.	33	92	125	15	14	0	14	4	3	0	7	5	0	163
Phillipston,	Nov. 16, 1785	Samuel W. Barnum,	Jan. 25, 1853	Jan. 1, 1856	54	121	175	42	3	0	3	4	7	1	12	1	5	175
Royalston, 1st ch.	Oct. 13, 1766	Ebenezer W. Bullard,	Aug. 8, 1838	Sep. 2, 1852	44	87	131	11	3	2	5	1	2	0	3	1	0	225
" 2d ch.	Feb. 22, 1837	Edwin Seabury,	June 18, 1840	June 23, 1858	46	94	140	35	21	9	30	2	4	0	6	16	6	160
Templeton,	Apr. 11, 1832	Lewis Sabin, D. D.	June 1, 1836	Sep. 21, 1837	35	93	128	16	5	3	8	1	4	0	5	0	6	145
Westminster,	Oct. 20, 1744	Marcus Ames,	June 28, 1854	May 1, 1856	80	199	279	20	22	2	24	8	9	0	17	13	1	220
Winchendon, 1st ch.	Dec. 15, 1762	Benjamin F. Clarke,	Feb. 4, 1824	Oct. 24, 1855	23	31	54	21	0	0	0	6	0	0	6	0	0	60
" North,	Dec. 7, 1843	Abijah P. Marvin,	Jan. 10, 1844	Jan. 10, 1844	41	97	138	14	3	3	6	2	5	0	7	1	4	165
Total, 15	11 Pastors, 4 s. s., no vacant chhs.				632	1379	2011	295	108	39	147	47	54	1	102	53	33	2301

OTHER MEMBERS.—Josiah D. Crosby, Ashburnham, ordained Oct. 4, 1837: Frederick A. Fiske, Marshfield, ord. Dec. 31, 1851; Ebenezer Perkins, Royalston, ord. Feb. 17, 1819.—3. Elbridge G. Little, Stated supply, North Middleboro'.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in January, fourth Tuesday in April, second Tuesday in July, and first Tuesday in October.

*Not a member of the Association.

JOHN F. NORTON, Athol, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

SUMMARY.

Associations.	Ministers.–July 1858.				Churches.–July 1858.				Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1858.				Admissions in 1857.			Removals in 1857.				Bap. in 1857.		Sab.
	Pas.	S. s.	Oth.	Tot.	W. p.	W. s. s.	Vac.	Tot.	Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent	Prof.	Let.	Total.	Death.	Dis.	Exc.	Total.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Andover,	16	1	6	23	16	1	2	19	1412	2835	4247	1209	367	156	523	47	122	4	173	196	79	3923
Berkshire North,	9	3	4	16	9	3	4	16	524	876	2383	594	201	53	254	23	72	1	96	42	31	1330
Berkshire South,	13	3	2	18	13	3	1	17	708	1632	2340	488	62	34	96	39	74	3	116	32	57	1874
Brewster,	9	2	3	14	9	2	4	15	376	888	1264	120	37	9	46	34	16	0	50	17	38	1563
Brookfield,	18	1	1	20	17	1	0	18	889	1920	2809	466	90	66	156	64	82	1	147	44	40	2860
Essex North,	21	1	8	30	19	1	2	22	903	2116	3019	298	73	78	151	62	65	4	131	38	39	3224
Essex South,	17	1	2	20	15	1	2	18	762	2002	2764	335	88	60	148	45	53	10	108	39	50	3359
Franklin,	18	5	6	29	18	5	6	29	910	1811	2721	330	170	91	261	62	116	4	182	66	69	2833
Hampden East,	15	1	3	19	13	1	3	17	769	1790	2559	419	43	98	141	35	124	2	161	13	59	2175
Hampden West,	9	4	2	15	9	4	4	17	509	1069	1578	244	46	42	88	36	57	2	95	21	35	1647
Hampshire,	12	3	3	18	12	3	3	18	1063	1787	2895	345	53	67	120	60	80	1	141	19	51	2889
Hampshire East,	14	0	7	21	14	0	3	17	1027	1991	3018	426	67	79	146	61	79	2	142	19	54	2270
Harmony,	10	1	2	13	10	1	1	12	653	1442	2095	396	55	36	91	31	41	0	72	17	31	2466
Mendon,	10	2	9	21	10	2	2	14	464	1200	1664	230	61	28	89	34	47	1	82	33	43	1849
Middlesex South,	11	1	5	17	11	1	2	14	660	1624	2284	282	66	43	109	27	30	4	61	33	46	2553
Middlesex Union,	11	5	6	22	11	5	1	17	789	1571	2360	408	61	47	108	54	56	1	111	22	32	2672
Norfolk.	26	2	6	34	26	2	5	33	1152	2544	3696	329	312	83	395	49	43	8	100	175	112	4689
Old Colony,	11	3	4	18	11	3	0	14	514	1307	1821	205	108	40	148	20	38	4	62	64	54	2098
Plymouth,	10	6	5	21	10	6	2	18	508	1029	1537	175	37	24	61	27	16	2	45	23	22	1765
Salem,	10	2	1	13	10	2	1	13	473	1442	1927	132	43	18	61	33	9	0	42	14	30	2470
Suffolk North,	12	1	14	27	11	1	7	19	1144	2690	3877	501	188	217	405	41	118	8	167	71	95	4435
Suffolk South,	21	2	6	29	21	2	2	25	1694	3469	5163	1008	319	391	710	70	333	9	412	74	142	6376
Taunton,	8	6	5	19	8	6	1	15	640	1520	2160	310	79	39	118	25	47	0	72	41	51	2422
Vineyard Sound,	5	3	2	10	5	3	4	12	259	551	810	81	2	1	3	16	19	2	37	2	8	637
Woburn,	13	0	6	19	12	0	4	16	648	1353	2001	303	124	80	204	29	72	3	104	62	65	2218
Worcester Central,	18	0	8	26	17	0	3	20	1344	2828	4173	685	133	108	241	64	86	10	160	63	45	4312
Worcester North,	11	4	3	18	11	4	0	15	632	1379	2011	295	108	39	147	47	54	1	102	53	33	2301
Total, 27	358	63	*129	550	348	63	69	480	21,426	46,668	69,176	10,614	2,993	2,027	5,020	1,135	1,949	87	3,171	1,293	1,411	73,210

*Only those resident in Massachusetts and members of Associations are included in this column ; 43 others are members of Associations.

REMARKS.

COMPARATIVE RESULTS.

For the second time, every church connected, ministerially, with the General Association, is reported in these tables; and so many others in addition as to leave but two Orthodox Congregational churches in the State unreported. For this completeness thanks are due to the District-Statistical Scribes.

During the past year the number of Associations has been lessened by the union of Bridgewater and Pilgrim Associations under the name of PLYMOUTH ASSOCIATION, which was organized May 18, 1858. Bridgewater Association was organized Aug. 22, 1848, by members chiefly from Old Colony and Taunton Associations. Pilgrim was organized out of Old Colony, Dec. 22, 1829. The first Association in Plymouth County and probably bearing the same name, was in existence about the year 1700. Another, under the same title, was organized or re-organized Nov. 14, 1721; its meetings seem to have ceased with its records, Aug. 31, 1736. Still a third was organized Aug. 12, 1761, which, somewhere about 1810, united with BAY Association, and now exists (a Unitarian body) as the PLYMOUTH AND BAY. The present is therefore the fourth bearing the name of Plymouth.

Some confusion exists in regard to our Statistics from the fact that while the lists of ministers and churches are corrected up to July 1, 1858, the reports of membership, additions, etc., come up only to the preceding first of January. Comparisons may be made in both ways.

I. Of the year ending Dec. 31, 1857.

On the first of January 1857, there were 477 churches of our denomination in this State; only 472 were enumerated in the issue of 1857, one not being known to exist, and four declining to report. To those 477, five are added, being organized in the year 1857; viz. Plymouth church in Chelsea, organized Jan. 7, 1857; Vine St. church in Roxbury, April 9, 1857; a church in Needham, May 6, 1857; the Holmes church in North Cambridge, Sept. 23, 1857; and the Church of the Unity, South Boston, Oct. 14, 1857; making the whole number to be 482, two of which are not enumerated (by their own or pastors' choice,) in these tables.

A comparison of the churches existing at the times specified, and including all save the two reported in neither year, give the following results:

	Churches.	Members.	Additions.	Removals.	Sabbath School.
Jan. 1, 1857,	475	67,804	3,558	3,185	70,502
Jan. 1, 1858,	480	69,176	5,020	3,171	73,210

thus the number of additions in 1858 is seen to exceed that in 1857 by 1462; the losses are less by 14; and the net excess of gains over losses in 1857 is 1849. This gain does not include the results of the recent revivals, but is matter for praise to God in view of the fact that the gains for several years previous have been merely nominal.

The two churches unreported are believed to contain 290 members; these added to those enumerated make the entire membership of the Orthodox Congregational churches of Massachusetts, 69,466.

An examination into the comparative size of the churches will show that, of the 482 churches in the State, 198 have less than 100 members each, 177 have each 100 and less than 200, 63 have 200 and less than 300, 31 have 300 and less than 400, 7 have 400 and less than 500, 3 have 500 and less than 600, 1 has 600 and less than 700, 1 has 700 and less than 800, and 1 has 800. Of the 198 which have less than 100 members each, 9 have each 10 and less than 20, 15 have 20 and less than 30, 20 have 30 and less than 40, 27 have 40 and less than 50, 31 have 50 and less than 60, 15 have 60 and less than 70, 24 have 70 and less than 80, 33 have 80 and less than 90, and 23 have 90 and less than 100. In all these cases the numbers are subject to loss by the number of absent members, which will, on an average, diminish the various numbers 15 per cent; but, generally, the number of absentees from the smaller churches is less than that of members of other churches worshipping with them. It ought to be added that seven, if not more, of the churches have no public worship, and are in fact only nominally not extinct. A few years' more of reliable statistics will afford important data for calculating the increase or decline of our churches in the various parts of the State. As it is, the figures given above indicate the great number of feeble churches for the prosperity of which, the prayers and means of Christians should be given.

II. Of the year ending June 30, 1858.

1. As to churches. July 1, 1857, there were 480 churches; three have since been formed, viz. the Holmes church, North Cambridge, the Church of the Unity, South Boston, and a church in Westport, formed May 31, 1858; and one has ceased to have a separate existence, viz. one in Waltham, by the union of two into one; so that the whole number in the State is now 482.

It will be seen by the Index of Towns, that there appear to be no Orthodox Congregational churches in Bellingham, Bolton, Brewster, Cheshire, Clarksburg, Duxbury, Florida, Hancock, Hull, Leyden, Lexington, Monroe, Mt. Washington, Nahant, New Ashford, Pembroke, Russell, Savoy, Somerset, South Scituate, Swanzey, Tyngsboro', Tyringham, Wales, Weston, and Winthrop; there is, however, evangelical preaching in each of these towns,

and in most of them are Orthodox Congregationalists forming constituent parts of accessible churches in adjoining towns.

2. As to pastors. July 1, 1857, there were 349 pastors. Of these, 43 have been dismissed, and one has died; 51 have been settled; making the number, July 1, 1858, 355; this number has been increased by four and diminished by one, since that date and prior to the printing of these tables, July 25.

A new column has been introduced this year, viz. that of the date of ministerial ordination. Great labor has failed to secure perfect completeness, but the list is so far perfected as to show that of the 358 pastors in our tables, 129 are still ministers of the churches over which they were originally ordained. Of these, 1 was settled in 1796, 1 in 1797, 1 in 1798, 1 in 1805, 2 in 1806, 1 in 1809, 1 in 1811, 1 in 1812, 2 in 1814, 2 in 1815, 1 in 1816, 1 in 1819, 1 in 1824, 2 in 1826, 1 in 1832, 1 in 1834, 1 in 1835, 2 in 1836, 3 in 1838, 2 in 1839, 3 in 1840, 3 in 1841, 4 in 1842, 3 in 1843, 1 in 1844, 3 in 1845, 2 in 1846, 2 in 1847, 3 in 1848, 7 in 1849, 5 in 1850, 4 in 1851, 5 in 1852, 4 in 1853, 10 in 1854, 10 in 1855, 8 in 1856, 16 in 1857, and 8 in the fraction of 1858. The average length of these pastorates thus far is 14 years and 2 months. This column will, in process of time, afford data for interesting deductions regarding the permanency of the pastoral relation.

3. As to other ministers. These are divided, in the tables, into three classes; 1st, those acting as "stated supplies"; 2d, those who reside in Massachusetts without pastoral charge; and 3d, members of Associations in Massachusetts but residing outside of the State. Of the first class there are 63. Of the second class there are 129; of these, 16 are professors or teachers in various institutions of learning, 2 are financial officers of such institutions, 2 are in the employ of the Massachusetts Board of Education, 20 are connected with the various religious benevolent Societies as Secretaries, Agents, etc., 2 are chaplains in reformatory institutions, 3 are editors or publishers, 2 are physicians, and 1 is an anti-tobacconist. Of the third class, of which there are 43, 16 are in actual missionary or other ministerial service, 4 are Secretaries or Agents of Societies, 1 is Superintendent of an Orphan Asylum, 1 an editor, 1 a newspaper agent, and 1 a teacher.

There is still another class of clergymen in the State, viz. those not connected with Associations nor pastors of churches reported in our tables. Of these, the following is an approximate list, certainly incomplete, but perhaps a possible basis for future corrections:

J. Aiken, Charlestown, ordained Aug. 30, 1843; Luther Bailey, Dorchester, ord. Nov. 20, 1816; Joseph B. Baldwin, West Cambridge, ord. Nov. 15, 1831; Jeremiah Blake, physician and preacher, Dracut, ord. Nov. 1, 1833; Zenas Bliss, Amherst, ord. Aug. 27, 1838; Samuel Bradford, Montague, ord. (when ?); S. F. Bucklin, Marlboro', ord. Nov. 2, 1808; Ebenezer Burgess, D. D., pastor of the First Church, Dedham, ord. (when ?); D. N. Coburn, Monson, ord. (when ?); Hiram Daniels, East Medway, ord. (when ?); A. C. Denison, teacher, Medford, ord. March 4, 1851; Ralph Emerson, D.D., Pro-

fessor Emeritus, Newburyport, ord. June 1816; Isaac Esty, Amherst, ord. Jan. 29, 1829; Luther Farnham, Agent of Southern Aid Society, Boston, ord. (when?); Joseph B. Felt, LL. D., Boston, ord. Dec. 19, 1821; Horatio Flagg, Coleraine, ord. Jan. 24, 1828; Wm. C. Fowler, author, Amherst, ord. Aug. 31, 1825; Alfred Goldsmith, Groton, (Stated supply at Peterboro', N. H.,) ord. (when?); William Harlow, Wrentham, ord. Sept. 30, 1828; William Jenks, D. D., Boston, ord. (when?); Francis Jordan, Chaplain in County House and County Missionary, Springfield, ord. May 10, 1833; Cyrus Mann, Stoughton, ord. Feb. 22, 1815; David M. Mitchell, City Missionary, Roxbury, ord. June 19, 1816; Charles W. Monroe, East Cambridge, ord. Dec. 26, 1849; Erastus D. Moore, Boston, ord. (when?); Martin Moore, publisher of Boston Recorder, Boston, ord. Feb. 16, 1814; E. D. Murphy, Chaplain, Monson, ord. (when?); Francis Norwood, Monson, ord. (when?); Giles Pease, physician, Boston, ord. (when?); Asa Rand, Ashburnham, ord. Jan. 18, 1809; Calvin E. Stowe, D. D., Professor in Andover Theological Seminary, Andover, ord. April 1833; Josiah H. Temple, Framingham, ord. Sept. 30, 1845; James G. Vose, Professor in Amherst College, Amherst, ord. Oct. 20, 1857; Samuel Ware, Sunderland, ord. Oct. 31, 1810; Calvin White, Amherst, ord. Oct. 28, 1829; E. B. Wright, Chaplain, Monson, ord. (when?)

OBITUARIES.

Five clergymen have died during the year:—

Peter Sanborn died in Reading, Mass., Aug. 8, 1857. He was a son of William and Mary (Sleeper) Sanborn, and a native of Kingston, N. H., where he was born Aug. 15, 1767; fitted for college under the instruction of Rev. Dr. Thayer of Kingston; graduated at Dartmouth College in 1786; studied divinity with the Rev. Ephraim Judson of Taunton, Mass.; was ordained at Reading, June 7, 1790. At the time he was settled, opposition to his Hopkinsian views was exhibited, but an early revival of religion harmonized all differences, and from that time till 1812 there was an almost continuous religious interest among his people. In these labors his health failed, and being an invalid for some years, he was dismissed June 8, 1820. He remained in Reading, however, occupying the same house for sixty-seven years. He was twice married; first to Mary Stimpson of Reading; second, Nov. 10, 1820, to Martha Wakefield; she died May 2, 1847, aged 59. Two of his sons became ministers of the gospel.

Joseph P. Drummond died in Bristol, Me., Nov. 23, 1857. He was a son of Capt. James Drummond, of Bristol, Me., and was born in Bristol, Sept. 13, 1824; graduated at Bowdoin College in 1843; taught school after his graduation, first at Gorham, Me., and afterwards in Phillips Academy, Andover, Ms., with remarkable success. One year he spent in Bangor Theological Seminary, and three in that at Andover, where he graduated in 1853. It was his hearty intention to devote himself to the foreign missionary work, but the incipient appearance of the disease which soon ended his days prevented his acceptance, and with reluctance, he concluded to remain in

New England. He was settled at West Newton Jan. 2, 1856. Ill health soon deprived him of the ability to labor. In the hope of securing his health he spent the succeeding winter in Georgia, but he returned far weaker, and went to his native town to die. He was a ripe and thorough scholar, and gifted with a refined taste. Converted at the age of thirteen his religious life was earnest; few knew of the deep waters through which he passed; those who did, understood the rich nature with which he was endowed. "Tell my dear people," was his message delivered on the day when his own pastoral connection, already nominal, ceased, and that of his successor began, "to prepare to meet me in heaven."

Daniel Huntington died in New London, Ct., May 21, 1858. He was a son of Gen. Huntington, of New London, Ct., where he was born and died. He graduated at Yale in 1807. In a letter of his dated in April last he says, "In reply to your inquiries received last evening, I would state that I was ordained as pastor of the First Church in North Bridgewater, on the 28th of October 1812, dismissed in the spring of 1833, and installed over the South, or Second Church, in the same town, Jan. 1, 1840. This last charge was resigned in the spring of 1853, since which I have had no charge, but have continued to preach as a supply in this and several other places." His closing words are, "With best love to all the brethren, both old and new, I am yours in the bond of a common faith."

Stephen D. Ward died at Agawam, June 11, 1858, aged 57, the only pastor in actual service who has died within the year. He was a native of New Jersey, graduated at Nassau Hall in 1819, studied theology at New Haven, and was employed there a few years in teaching. He was pastor of the church in Machias, Me., from 1834 to 1844, and after preaching in various places in New Jersey and Virginia, came to Agawam, and was installed in October 1853. "Mr. Ward was sound in doctrine, discreet, quiet and unobtrusive in his manners. He was a good scholar, and his sermons were finished and scholarly. His voice was rather feeble, and he sought the quiet of a retired and small parish. Having no children, and being possessed of some means of his own, he could live upon a small salary. The church at Agawam have therefore had the services of a minister who was qualified to fill a place where he could have obtained a salary twice as large as they were able to pay. He died peacefully, choosing to depart and be with Christ."

Luther Wright died in Woburn, June 21, 1858. He was born in Acton, Mass., April 19, 1770, baptized in infancy, and early instructed in the Assembly's Catechism. He entered Harvard College in July 1792, and graduated with good reputation as a scholar in 1796, in the class with Leonard Woods, D. D., John Pickering, LL. D., James Jackson, M. D., and others of distinguished reputation. He studied theology with Dr. Tappan, Professor of Divinity in the College. June 13, 1798, he was ordained over the First Church in Medway, and Dec. 23, 1799, he was married to Miss Anna Bridge, daughter of Rev. Josiah Bridge of East Sudbury. At the

time of his ordination, his views of theology were of the Arminian type. After a careful investigation and frequent interviews with distinguished neighboring clergymen for two or three years, the result was a full conviction of the truth of the Calvinistic system, which he ever after intelligently believed and faithfully preached, and in his last days cherished as his only foundation of consolation and of hope. He remained at Medway seventeen years, with good acceptance as a preacher and pastor.

In January, 1817, he was settled as pastor in Barrington, R. I., where he remained four and a half years, and where his labors were attended with signal success. From Barrington he went to Carver, where he remained about three years. Here, also, he enjoyed a precious revival of religion. More than fifty were added to the church during the short time he remained there. After this he went to Tiverton, R. I., where also his labors were greatly blessed, and many there regarded him, under God, as their spiritual father.

For many years it had been his decided purpose that most of his earthly substance should ultimately be given to the cause of his Redeemer, and by his will he made bequests amounting to several thousand dollars, to the Congregational Board of Publication, the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, the American Missionary Association, and to the New England Female Medical College.

His last days were peaceful and happy. His mind became weak and wandering, but in his lucid intervals, his thoughts were on Christ, and he said, "I am not afraid to die. I want to die and go to Christ. I have a hope, that when I die, I shall die in the Lord." "Come, Lord Jesus, come quickly."

CONFERENCES OF CHURCHES.

For the sake of information, the following list of Conferences (believed to be entire,) is inserted. These Conferences are composed of Pastors and Delegates from the various churches enumerated, who meet for public religious services and conference, with no ecclesiastical power or purpose.

Barnstable. Organized Oct. 28, 1828.—Churches, all the Orthodox Congregational churches in Barnstable, Dukes, and Nantucket Counties,—27.—Times of meeting, second Tuesday in June, and third Tuesday in December.—Scribe, Rev. Martin S. Howard, Yarmouth.

Brookfield Associational. Organized June 10, 1838.—Churches, all the Orthodox Congregational churches within the bounds of Brookfield Association,—18.—Time of meeting, second Tuesday in June.—Scribe, Rev. A. E. P. Perkins, Ware Village.

Essex South. Organized May 8, 1827.—Churches, Beverly (Dane st., and Washington st.,) Danvers (Maple st.,) Essex, Gloucester (West, Harbor, and Lanesville,) Hamilton, Ipswich (South,) Lynnfield (Centre,) Manchester, Middleton, Rockport (1st, and 2d,) Salem (3d, and Howard st.,) and South Danvers,—17.—Times of meeting (when?)—Scribe, Rev. Alonzo B. Rich, Beverly.

HAMPDEN. This Conference has "no constitution, no permanent officers"; "it originated in an invitation of" . . . . "church to the other churches of the county to meet with us to become better acquainted with each others' condition, to make such suggestions to one another as shall be mutually beneficial and to engage together in devotional services."—Churches, covered by invitations and places, are all the churches in Hampden county, with the church at South Hadley Falls,—34.—Time of meeting, on or about the first Tuesday in October, as any church, choosing to invite, may decide.—Rev. S. G. Buckingham of Springfield, acts as Scribe.

HARMONY. Organized (probably) Sept. 25, 1833.—Churches, Blackstone, Douglas (1st, and East,) Mendon, Millbury (1st, and 2d,) Northbridge (1st, and Whitinsville,) Sutton, Upton, Uxbridge, and Westboro',—12.—Times of meeting, fourth Tuesday in April, and October.—Scribe, Rev. Andrew J. Willard, Upton.

MENDON. Organized April 27, 1858.—Churches, Foxboro', Franklin (1st, and South,) Mansfield, Medfield, Medway (East, Village, and West,) Walpole, Wrentham (original, and North,)—11.—This Conference, having had but one session, does not yet comprise all the churches which will join it.—Times of meeting, not selected.—Scribe, Rev. Samuel Hunt, Franklin.

NORFOLK. Organized June 14, 1827.—Churches, Abington (1st, 2d, 3d, and 4th,) Braintree (1st, and South,) Braintree and Weymouth (Union,) Bridgewater (Trinitarian,) Canton, Cohasset, Dorchester (2d, and Village,) East and West Bridgewater (Union,) East Bridgewater (Trinitarian,) Easton, Hingham, Jamaica Plain, Milton (1st, and 2d Evangelical,) North Bridgewater (1st, South, and Porter,) Quincy, Randolph (1st, East, and Winthrop,) Sharon, Stoughton, Weymouth (1st, 2d, Union, and Pilgrim,—32.—Times of meeting, first Tuesday in May, and last Tuesday in September.—Scribe, Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, Jamaica Plain.

OLD COLONY. Organized Sept. 23, 1856.—Churches, Fairhaven, Marion, Mattapoisett, Middleboro' (1st, and Central,) New Bedford (1st, North, Trinitarian, and Pacific,) Rochester (Centre,) South Dartmouth, and Wareham,—12.—Time of meeting, second Tuesday in May, and October.—Clerk, Rev. John Willard, Fairhaven.

PILGRIM. Organized April 27, 1830.—Churches, Carver, Halifax, Hanson, Hanover (1st, and Four Corners,) Kingston, Marshfield (1st, and East,) Plymouth (South, Centre, and Chiltonville,) Plympton, and Scituate.—13.—Times of meeting, third Wednesday in May, and third Tuesday in October.—Scribe, Rev. Timothy G. Brainerd, Halifax.

SOUTH MIDDLESEX. Organized Aug. 20, 1828.—Churches, Ashland, Concord, Dover, Framingham, Grantville, Hopkinton, Holliston, Lincoln, Marlboro', Natick, Saxonville, Southboro', Sherburne, Sudbury, Wayland, West Needham.—16.—Times of meeting, third Tuesday in April and October.—Scribe, Rev. Henry Allen, Saxonville.

WOBURN. Organized Dec. 5, 1849.—Churches, Bedford, Billerica, Burlington, Carlisle, Medford (Trinitarian, and Mystic,) Melrose, North Read-

ing, Reading (Bethesda,) South Reading, Stoneham, Waltham, West Cambridge, Wilmington, Winchester, Woburn,—16.—Times of meeting, last Tuesdays in April and October.—Scribe, Rev. Reuben T. Robinson, Winchester.

Worcester Central. Organized April 28, 1852.—Churches, Auburn, Barre, Berlin, Boylston, Clinton, Holden, Leicester, Northboro', Oxford, Paxton, Princeton, Rutland, Shrewsbury, Sterling, West Boylston, Worcester (Old South, Union, Central, and Salem st.,)—19.—Times of meeting, the Wednesdays following the third Mondays in April and October.—Scribe, Rev. Warren W. Winchester, Clinton.

Worcester North. Organized, (time not known.)—Churches, all the churches enumerated in Worcester North Association, excepting New Salem,—14.—Time of meeting, second Tuesday in June.—Clerk, Rev. Samuel W. Barnum, Phillipston.

From the above there appear to be eleven Conferences, embracing 241 churches; that the system began at the time of the Unitarian division; and that one new Conference has been formed within the year.

In the present issue, the column of ministerial ordination, the obituary notices, the list of conferences, and the Index of Towns, are new features. It is hoped that the labor involved in these, as well as in not a few minor improvements, and in securing the unequalled completeness of our Statistical returns, will excuse some slight inaccuracies which are practically unavoidable; all inaccuracies in the statistics are corrected in the Summary. That so much is accomplished is due to the patient labors of the District Statistical Scribes.

Any person suggesting further improvements or discovering errors, is requested to communicate with the Statistical Secretary,—who will be especially grateful for *dates of ordination* now unknown, and for the *full first name* of various brethren now designated by lonesome initials.

A. H. Q.

NAMES OF CLERGYMEN,

Arranged in alphabetical order, with the Post-Office address of each, and with the number of the Association in which each name occurs in the statistics.

Abbe Frederick R., Abington. 17.
Abbot Jacob J., Uxbridge. 13
Abbot Joseph, Beverly. 20
Adams George M., Conway. 8
Adams Nehemiah, D. D., Boston. 22
Albro John A., D. D., Cambridge. 21
Alden Ebenezer, Jr., Marshfield. 19
Alden Edmund K , Lenox. 3
Allen Benj. R., Marblehead. 20
Allen Cyrus W , Hubbardston. 27
Allen David O., Westfield. 16
Allen George E., Cambridgeport. 21
Allen Ephraim W., Salem (or Walpole.) 7, 14
Allen Henry, Wayland. 15
Allen William, Dracut. 1
Alvord John W , Newton. 22
Ames Marcus, Westminster. 27
Anderson Rufus, D. D., Boston. 21
Angier Luther H., Concord. 15
Ashley S. S., Northboro'. 26
Atwood Edward S., Grantville. 22
Austin H. A., Huntington. 11
Ayres Rowland, Hadley. 12

Babcock Daniel H., South Plymouth. 19
Backus Joseph W., Leominster. 16
Bacon Elisha, Centerville. 24
Bacon James M., Essex. 7
Badger Milton, D. D., New York. 1
Baker A. R , West Needham. 21
Ballard Addison, Williamstown. 2
Ballard Josiah, Plympton. 19
Bancroft David, Prescott. 12
Bannister S. W., Ware. 5
Barbour Nelson, Cummington. 11
Bardwell Horatio, Oxford. 26
Barnes Asa, North Ashburnham. 27
Barney James O., Seekonk. 23
Barnum Samuel W., Phillipston. 27
Barrows Elijah P , Andover. 1
Barrows Homer, Wareham. 18
Barrows William, Reading. 21, 25
Barton F. A., Indian Orchard. 9
Bates James, Granby. 12
Bates William, Falmouth. 13, 24
Beaman Charles C., Salem. 7
Beaman Warren H., North Hadley. 12
Beardsley Bronson B., Shirley. 16
Beckwith George C., D. D., Boston. 21
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Phillipston, *None.*
Pittsfield, 2
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Provincetown, 4

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Sherburne, 15
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Southbridge, 5
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South Hadley, 9, 12
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Southwick, 10
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Stoneham, 25
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Sudbury, 15
Sunderland, 8
Sutton, 13
Swampscott, 20
Swanzey, *None.*

Taunton, 23
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Tisbury, 24
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Tyringham, *None.*

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Weston, *None.*
Westport, *None.*
West Roxbury, 22
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Williamstown, 2
Wilmington, 25
Westport, *None.*
Winchendon, 27
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Windsor, 2
Winthrop, *None.*
Woburn, 25
Worcester, 26
Worthington, 11
Wrentham, 14

Yarmouth, 4

COLLECTION OF STATISTICS.

1. The Statistical Secretary will place in the hands of the District Statistical Scribes, Dec. 10, 1858, a sufficient number of blank schedules for distribution.

2. Each Statistical Scribe will send, Dec. 20, a blank schedule to each Pastor (or Clerk of a vacant church) within his limits, will receive the answers, follow up delinquents, complete the returns, (requiring the observance of the points specified below,) and send to the Statistical Secretary, as near March 10, 1859, as possible, (1) a table of the returns of the churches, properly arranged and footed up, as in the issue of 1858, (2) a list of all the members of his Association, with residence, occupation, and date of ordination, (3) the times of the meeting of his Association, and (4) the names of its officers. He will also send to the Statistical Secretary, June 1, a list of *all ministerial changes* up to that date.

3. Each Clergyman, (or Clerk of a vacant church,) is requested to report the Statistics of his church for the year 1858 to the Statistical Scribe of his Association on or before Jan. 10, 1859, according to the schedule below, a copy of which will be furnished him. The following points ought to be observed :— Write out names *fully*, *correctly*, and *legibly*. "Ordained" refers to the date when the minister was set apart by "the laying on of hands;" "installed," the date of *present* settlement. "Absent" members are those who, habitually, worship or reside away from the church; they are to be included in "males," "females," and "total." "Sabbath School" denotes the entire *membership* of a school at the date of report, including both teachers and scholars, and covering branch schools when under the exclusive charge of the reporting church. The report covers the year 1858, and not a day before or after. Leave *no blanks* whatever; a blank constitutes a defective return. Wherever "none" is the proper designation, write it out *in full*. As the effort made in 1858 to secure authenticated dates of church organization, was but partially successful, each pastor (or clerk) whose church date is not printed in italics in the present issue, is requested to ascertain the date from *original sources* and to add to his report the *authority* on which he relies.

It is hoped that the great importance of securing correct and full statistics, (in which our own issues now stand unequalled) will secure a prompt and satisfactory return.

Church.	Organized.	Minister.	Ordained.	Installed.	Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms		Sab.
					Males	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.

ALONZO H. QUINT, *Statistical Secretary.*

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NOTICES.

The session of 1860 will be held at Holliston, commencing Tuesday, June 26, at 4 o'clock, P. M.

Rev. Israel W. Putnam, D. D., of Middleboro', is the Preacher upon Home Missions,—Rev. Abijah P. Marvin of Winchendon, being substitute.

The Associational Preacher is to be selected by Norfolk Association.

Rev. Joseph Vaill, D. D., of Palmer, Rev. Henry M. Parsons of Springfield, and Rev. Eli B. Clark of Chicopee, are a Committee to prepare the next Pastoral Address.

Rev. John Todd, D. D., of Pittsfield, Rev. Prof. Isaac N. Lincoln of Williamstown, and Rev. George T. Dole of Lanesboro', are a Committee to prepare the Schedule of Questions directed by Rule IX, Section 7.

There are no special committees to report in 1860.

The times, and places of meeting, of the various Bodies with which this General Association is in correspondence, will be found in the CONGREGATIONAL QUARTERLY, published at Boston; the sessions for 1859, in the April number, and the sessions for 1860, in the January number, of the respective years.

A Historical Sketch of this General Association, with a complete list of its officers, (both permanent and annual,) and of its preachers at each session, is contained in the CONGREGATIONAL QUARTERLY, January, 1859.

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SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

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MINUTES.

The General Association of Massachusetts assembled in the South Congregational Church in Pittsfield, on Tuesday, June 28, 1859, at 4 o'clock, P. M. The delegates were called to order by the Secretary, Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, and Rev. George Mooar was appointed Temporary Scribe.

The following clergymen presented certificates of their election as Delegates from District Associations, and were enrolled as members:—

Andover,—John P. Cleaveland, D. D., George Mooar.
Bershire North,—Heman Humphrey, D. D., Albert Paine.
Berkshire South,—George E. Hill, James B. Cleaveland.
Brewster,—Osborne Myrick.
Brookfield,—James Kimball.
Essex North,—Thomas Doggett.
Essex South,—Lysander Dickerman.
Franklin,—George L. Hovey.
Hampden East,—Joseph Vaill, D. D., Frederick Alvord.
Hampden West,—Joel S. Bingham, E. J. Alden.
Hampshire,—*None.*
Hampshire East,—David Eastman.
Harmony,—*see Worcester South.*
Mendon,—Franklin Davis, William L. Ropes.
Middlesex South,—Luther H. Angier.
Middlesex Union,—Elihu Loomis, Daniel Butler.
Norfolk,—Ezekiel Russell, D. D., Isaac C. White.
Old Colony,—Timothy Stowe.
Plymouth,—William C. Whitcomb, Byron Bosworth.
Salem,—*None.*
Suffolk North,—George W. Blagden, D. D., Isaac P. Langworthy.
Suffolk South,—John O. Means, Jacob M. Manning.

Taunton,—James R. Cushing.

Vineyard Sound,—*None.*

Woburn,—Elihu P. Marvin, Joseph E. Swallow.

Worcester Central,—Seth Sweetser, D. D.

Worcester North,—Lewis Sabin, D. D., John C. Paine.

Worcester South,—(formerly Harmony,) Luther H. Sheldon, Lewis F. Clark.

Also, Mass. Home Miss. Soc.,—Henry B. Hooker, D. D., John H. Bisbee.

And ex officiis,—Roswell Foster, Alonzo H. Quint.

The following clergymen, who had represented the Association in corresponding bodies during the past year, were enrolled as HONORARY MEMBERS: *

Timothy A. Hazen, delegate to the General Convention of Vermont.

Rowland Ayres, delegate to the General Association of New Hampshire.

A. E. P. Perkins, delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church.

The following clergymen were present as DELEGATES FROM CORRESPONDING BODIES:

General Conference of Maine,—Alfred E. Ives.

General Association of New Hampshire,—Jacob G. Davis.

General Convention of Vermont,—Ebenezer Smith.

Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island,—Theodore Cooke.

General Association of Connecticut,—James Averill.

General Association of New York,—William I. Budington, D. D.

General Conference of Ohio,—William W. Woodworth.

General Association of Illinois,—Jeremiah Porter.

Congregational Association of Nebraska,—Reuben Gaylord.

Congregational Association of Oregon,—S. H. Marsh.

ORGANIZATION.

Rev. George W. Blagden, D. D., of Boston, was chosen Moderator; Rev. George Mooar of Andover, Scribe; and Rev. Timothy Stowe of New Bedford, Assistant Scribe.

Prayer was offered by the Moderator.

The rules of the Association were read by the Scribe.

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*For the names of those *elected* Honorary Members, see proceedings of Wednesday and Thursday.

The following Committees were appointed:

On Nominations:—Alonzo H. Quint, Lewis Sabin, D. D., and Albert Paine.

On Credentials:—Joel S. Bingham, Byron Bosworth, and James B. Cleaveland.

On Arrangements:—Roswell Foster, John C. Paine, and Isaac P. Langworthy.

On Accounts:—William L. Ropes, and Frederick Alvord.

On Narrative of the State of Religion:—Lewis Sabin, D. D., John H. Bisbee, and James Kimball.

On Nomination of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies:—John P. Cleaveland, D. D., Joseph Vaill, D. D., and Luther H. Sheldon.

HOME MISSIONS.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Sabin, seconded by Rev. Mr. Quint, it was

Voted, That a Committee of three be appointed on the Coöperation of Congregationalists and Presbyterians in the work of Home Missions, to report a recommendation of such action as they may deem best.

The Committee on Nominations requested delay in the nomination of this Special Committee.

The Committee on Arrangements reported in part, recommending that the sessions of the Association be from 9 A. M., to 12½ P. M., and from 2½ P. M., to 5½ P. M.; that the hour of the Home Missionary Sermon this evening be 7½ o'clock; and that a morning prayer meeting be held from 8 to 8¾ o'clock on Wednesday and Thursday. This report was adopted.

After prayer by Rev. Dr. Cleaveland, the Association adjourned.

7½ *o'clock, P. M.* The Association met for public worship. A sermon was preached in behalf of Home Missions, by Rev. Israel E. Dwinell of Salem, from Ezekiel xvii: 22—24. The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Jeremiah Porter of Chicago, Ill. A collection was taken up for the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, amounting to $25.

The Association adjourned, to meet on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock.

Wednesday, 9 *o'clock, A. M.* The Association met at the hour of adjournment,—the preceding hour having been occupied in conference and prayer. Prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Humphrey. The minutes of the session of the preceding day were read.

The following clergymen were elected HONORARY MEMBERS :—

Rev. John Todd, D. D., and Rev. Joab Brace, D. D., of Pittsfield; Rev. Milton Badger, D. D., and Rev. David B. Coe, D. D., of New York; and Rev. Joseph S. Clark, D. D., of Boston.

HOME MISSIONS.

The Committee on Nominations reported the following ministers as a Committee on the Coöperation of Congregationalists and Presbyterians in the work of Home Missions :—

Seth Sweetser, D. D., John P. Cleaveland, D. D., Ezekiel Russell, D. D.

REPORTS OF DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

Reports of attendance in person were made by the following brethren :—

Joseph Vaill, D. D., delegate to the General Conference of Maine in 1858.

Rowland Ayres, delegate to the General Association of New Hampshire.

Timothy A. Hazen, delegate to the General Convention of Vermont.

Elihu P. Marvin, delegate to the General Association of Michigan.

A. E. P. Perkins, delegate to the Presbyterian General Assembly.

Edmund K. Alden gave an account of the meeting of the General Association of Iowa, at which he was present.

Aaron M. Colton, delegate to General Conference of Maine in 1859, and Daniel H. Babcock, delegate to General Association of Connecticut, reported by letter their attendance on the meetings of those bodies.

SALUTATIONS.

The Association received salutations of delegates from Corresponding Bodies, as follows :—

Rev. Alfred E. Ives, from the General Conference of Maine.

Rev. Jacob G. Davis, from the General Association of New Hampshire.

Rev. Ebenezer Smith, from the General Convention of Vermont.

Rev. Theodore Cooke, from the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island.

Rev. James Averill, from the General Association of Connecticut.

Rev. William I. Budington, D. D., from the General Association of New York.

Rev. William W. Woodworth, from the General Conference of Ohio.

Rev. Jeremiah Porter, from the General Association of Illinois.

Rev. S. H. Marsh, from the General Association of Oregon.

Rev. Reuben Gaylord, from the General Association of Nebraska Territory.

Rev. J. P. Kimball, delegate from the General Association of Iowa, and Rev. E. Clark, delegate from the General Conference of Minnesota, also addressed the Association by letter.

The Association adjourned, after prayer by Dr. Vaill.

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

2½ *o'clock, P. M.* After singing, the Pastoral Address was read by the Secretary. It was voted to commit the Letter to the Publishing Committee, to be printed under their revision.

SALUTATIONS.

Rev. P. H. Fowler, D. D., presented the salutations of the Presbyterian General Assembly.

NARRATIVES OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

The Association listened to reports of the state of religion in the various district Associations, and to a report from the Statistical Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Association took a recess of six minutes, and then heard the report of the Treasurer.

HOME MISSIONS.

Dr. Sweetser, for the Committee on Coöperation with Presbyterians, presented a report. The report was followed by remarks upon the general subject from Rev. Dr. Fowler and Rev. Dr. Badger.

The hour for adjournment having arrived, the Committee on Arrangements proposed that the evening session be occupied with the discussion of the following questions:—

1. Is there any thing in the recent phases of religious experience which calls for a more careful and thorough inculcation of Christian doctrine?

2. What influence does the system of popular lecturing now in vogue exert upon the preacher and the people?

3. Do the churches need to adopt, for the promotion of Christ's cause, more strict rules of systematic benevolence?

They also recommended that the first speakers upon these questions be limited to ten minutes, and the subsequent speakers to five minutes, each.

It was voted to adopt these recommendations of the Committee, and also to give the first hour of the next morning session to statements from the Agents and Secretaries of Benevolent Societies, and to resume the consideration of the question of Coöperation with the second hour.

After prayer by Rev. George Whipple, the Association adjourned.

Wednesday, 7½ *o'clock*, *P. M.* Prayer was offered at the commencement of the session by Rev. Mr. Woodworth.

The following clergymen were elected HONORARY MEMBERS:—

Rev. George Whipple, of New York; and Rev. Nahum Gale, D. D., of Lee.

The Association entered upon the discussion of the questions proposed.

The first speaker on the first question was Rev. Mr. Dwinell, and he was followed by Messrs. Marvin, Bingham, Means, Bisbee, Dickerman, Quint, Davis, and Todd.

The speaker on the second question was Rev. Mr. Quint.

The third question was opened by Rev. Dr. Joseph S. Clark, and he was followed by Messrs. Langworthy, E. Smith, and Dwinell, and Drs. Todd, and Humphrey.

The session was closed with prayer by Dr. Clark.

Thursday, 9 *o'clock*, *A. M.* After spending three quarters of an hour in prayer and conference, the Association resumed its session, with prayer by Dr. Vaill.

MEETING OF 1860.

Voted, That the session of 1860 be held at Holliston; and that Rev. Israel W. Putnam, D. D. of Middleboro', be the preacher on Home Missions, and Rev. Abijah P. Marvin of Winchendon, be his substitute; that the Associational Preacher be selected by the Norfolk Association; that the Committee to prepare a Pastoral Letter be selected by the Committee on Publication;* that Rev. John Todd, D. D., Rev. Isaac N. Lincoln, and Rev. George T.

*Rev. Joseph Vaill, D. D. of Palmer, Rev. Henry M. Parsons of Springfield, and Rev. Ell B. Clark of Chicopee, constitute the Committee referred to.

Dole, be a Committee to prepare the Questions for discussion; that Rev. Joseph S. Clark, D. D., Rev. Jacob M. Manning, and the Statistical Secretary (ex officio), be the Committee on Publication.

CHOICE OF STATISTICAL SECRETARY.

Rev. Alonzo H. Quint was chosen Statistical Secretary for the next three years.

EXTRA TAX.

It appearing that the General Association is, regularly, one year in arrears for printing,—

Voted, That the local Associations be taxed enough to relieve the General Association of debt, and enable us to cancel our bills when they become due.*

APPEALS IN BEHALF OF BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES.

Rev. G. L. Hovey of the American and Foreign Christian Union, Rev. S. H. Marsh of the Pacific (Oregon) University, Rev. L. B. Rockwood of the American Tract Society (at New York,) Rev. I. P. Warren of the American Tract Society (at Boston,) Rev. I. P. Langworthy of the American Congregational Union, Rev. J. S. Clark, D. D., of the Congregational Library Association, Rev. George Whipple of the American Missionary Association, Rev. I. N. Tarbox of the American Education Society, and Rev. J. H. Pettingill of the A. B. C. F. M., were heard in behalf of the Societies which they represent.

PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, OREGON.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:—

Resolved, That the peculiar circumstances of Oregon give special interest to the efforts of our brethren there to establish a New England College on the North Pacific Coast. Oregon is isolated and can have no recourse to Colleges at the East. The population is agricultural; the churches of New England origin are few and weak. They must raise up their ministers and instructors; they must make from within themselves their own character as a people; they must determine their own religious life. We therefore commend the Pacific University to the sympathy and aid of ministers and churches in New England, as especially deserving their fostering care.

Rev. Mark Hopkins, D. D., was elected an HONORARY MEMBER of the Association.

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*This tax is fixed at 33 and 1-3 cents on each member of local Associations, resident in Massachusetts and not superannuated; it is payable immediately.

HOME MISSIONS.

The Association next resumed the consideration of the question of the Coöperation with Presbyterians in Home Missions. The discussion upon the subject was continued by Rev. Messrs. Joseph S. Clark, D. D., Daniel Butler, Seth Sweetser, D. D., John P. Cleaveland, D. D., P. H. Fowler, D. D., and Milton Badger, D. D. The report of the Committee having been amended, was adopted unanimously, as follows:

The General Association of Massachusetts cordially approve, as they have ever done, the fundamental principle of the American Home Missionary Society, whereby Christians of differing views in ecclesiastical polity unite their efforts for the only purpose of securing the more extensive publication of the Gospel of Christ in our own land independently of sectarian designs and aims, and also of the principles according to which the Executive Committee have from the beginning aimed to distribute the common funds contributed for the purpose; and in order to assure them of our encouragement in faithfully discharging their trust according to the principles referred to, and jealously guarding against any perversion of the funds of the Society in aid of any sectarian or exclusively denominational designs whatsoever,

Resolved, 1. That the action of the Executive Committee of the American Home Missionary Society on the 25th of April last, relating to the Alton Presbytery, is based upon the only equitable principles upon which coöperation can be sustained, and they have our most earnest sympathy and fullest sanction, in their endeavor to conduct the affairs of the Society according to the rules by them laid down.

Resolved, 2. That in the opinion of the Association, any attempt whatsoever to employ the American Home Missionary Society or its funds for exclusive sectarian or denominational purposes, would be a violation of good faith—an infringement of the spirit of Christian fellowship, and a departure from strict justice.

HOME MISSIONS IN MASSACHUSETTS.

The Committee to whom the report of a previous Committee on the subject of Home Missions within our own State was referred in 1858, made a report, by Rev. Dr. Sweetser, which was adopted. Its closing resolves are as follows:

Resolved, That it is expedient, with the approbation of the Massachusetts Missionary Society, to recommend that a Committee of Correspondence, to consist of three persons, be constituted in each of the Conferences or Clerical Associations of the State, whose general duties are implied in the following statements:

1. This Committee is designed to be an organ of communication between churches needing aid, and the Executive Committee of the Massachusetts Missionary Society.

2. The service they are expected to render is, to obtain by personal inspection all necessary facts on which a judgment of the extent and rightfulness of the claim of any church for aid is founded, and to present them to the Executive Committee with their own views of the case.

3. It is also expected that they will interest the churches of their Conference or Association in these feeble churches, and will seek to encourage and stimulate the churches receiving aid to all possible exertion in their own behalf.

4. It is also expected that they will seek out those places which are waste and without religious instruction, and make provision either through the aid of neighboring churches, or the Massachusetts Missionary Society, for furnishing them the means of grace.

5. And as there may be cases where two feeble parishes are so situated that they may enjoy between them the labors of a pastor and are not in a situation to claim his exclusive services, it is expected that the Committee will endeavor, both with the parishes and the Executive Committee, to arrange such a disposition of missionary work as to supply them with the gospel.

6. If at any time a church receiving aid should feel that a larger allowance than they receive should be granted them, it is expected that the Committee will obtain all necessary information, and advise the Executive Committee to such an increase of appropriation as in their candid judgment the case demands, submitting to the Executive Committee the unquestioned right and duty of deciding in regard to all disbursements of the funds entrusted to their care.

NARRATIVE.

Rev. Dr. Sabin read the Narrative of the State of Religion, which was adopted and ordered to be published with the Minutes.

DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

The Committee to nominate Delegates to Corresponding Bodies reported the following list, which was adopted:

To the Presbyterian General Assembly:
Primaries, Stephen G. Dodd, Henry M. Dexter.
Substitutes, Luther F. Dimmick, D. D., John P. Cleaveland, D. D.

To the General Conference of Maine:
Primaries, Stephen C. Strong, Reuben T. Robinson.
Substitutes, Charles L. Woodworth, Lewis Pennell.

To the General Association of New Hampshire:
Primaries, Alonzo H. Quint, John F. Norton.
Substitutes, Benjamin F. Clark, Noadiah S. Dickinson.

To the General Convention of Vermont:
Primaries, Edwin A. Bulkley, Edmund K. Alden.
Substitutes, Luther Sheldon, D. D., Charles W. Wood.

To the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island:
Primaries, Elias Nason, John Todd, D. D.
Substitutes, William S. Coggin, Alfred Emerson.

To the General Association of Connecticut:
Primaries, Josiah Ballard, Leonard S. Parker.
Substitutes, Luther H. Sheldon, James O. Murray.

To the General Association of New York:
Primaries, David Sanford, Richard Tolman.
Substitutes, Edmund Dowse, Jotham B. Sewall.[1]

To the General Conference of Ohio:
Primaries, James M. Bacon, Edwin H. Nevin.
Substitutes, Joseph Vaill, D. D., David A. Strong.

To the General Association of Illinois:
Primaries, Jeremy W. Tuck, Mortimer Blake.
Substitutes, James R. Cushing, William Carruthers.

To the General Association of Michigan:
Primaries, Edward S. Dwight, S. S. Ashley.
Substitutes, John C. Paine, Joshua L. Maynard.

To the Presbyterian and Congregational Convention of Wisconsin:
Primaries, Abel K. Packard, Horace D. Walker.
Substitutes, Timothy Stowe, J. Jay Dana.

To the General Association of Iowa:
Primaries, Joel S. Bingham, William Bates.
Substitutes, John H. Bisbee, Henry J. Patrick.

To the General Associations of Kansas and Minnesota:
Primaries, Isaiah C. Thacher, Ebenezer Alden, Jr.
Substitutes, Ariel P. Chute, Byron Bosworth.

To the Congregational Association of Nebraska:
Primaries, Martin S. Howard, Roswell Foster.
Substitutes, James B. R. Walker, E. Porter Dyer.

To the General Associations of Oregon and California:
Primaries, Daniel T. Fiske, Daniel L. Furber.
Substitutes, Lysander Dickerman, George L. Hovey.

To the Congregational Union of Canada:
Primaries, Joshua W. Wellman, Sereno D. Clark.
Substitutes, Seth Sweetser, D. D., Nahum Gale, D. D.

To the Congregational Union of England and Wales:
Primaries, C. B. Kittredge, James H. Means.

AMERICAN TRACT SOCIETY.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this Association bid the American Tract Society, at Boston, God speed in their good work.

THE TREASURY.

The Committee on Accounts reported that they have examined the Treasurer's report and find it correct. They recommend that a tax of fifty cents be levied on each of the members of District Associations residing in the State except such as are superannuated.*

SALUTATIONS FROM CALIFORNIA.

Rev. E. S. Lacey presented the salutations of the General Association of California.

The following resolution was then adopted:

Whereas there are now in California many sons and daughters of New England struggling to establish an institution of learning like those noble institutions in which they themselves were educated, and who look to us for sympathy and aid, therefore

Resolved, That the General Association of Massachusetts do hereby extend to the "College of California" an expression of our sympathy and interest in their success.

VOTE OF THANKS.

Voted, That the thanks of this Association be given to the South Church, the First Church, and to the citizens of Pittsfield generally, who have generously opened their doors and entertained us so hospitably and in every way so pleasantly.

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*This tax is distinct from the one levied as at page 9, and is payable at the next session.

Prayer was then offered by Rev. Dr. Hopkins, and the Association adjourned till 2, P. M.

Thursday, 2 *o'clock*, *P. M.* The Association met at the hour of adjournment for public services.

The Associational Sermon was preached by Rev. Joseph C. Bodwell of Framingham, from Acts xix : 2. Rev. Reuben Gaylord of Nebraska, assisting in the devotional services.

The Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. Alfred E. Ives of Maine, and Rev. Jeremiah Porter of Illinois.

EDUCATION IN NEBRASKA.

Rev. Reuben Gaylord made a statement in regard to a proposed Literary Institution in Nebraska Territory. Upon which, the Association passed the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas the Congregational Association of Nebraska Territory have founded an institution of learning for that Territory at Fontenelle, after the example of the older States,

Resolved, That this Association approve of this measure as timely and wise, and commend it in its feebleness to the churches of this State and the friends of Christian education, who may be able to aid in meeting its present necessities.

The minutes of the meeting were read and approved, and after singing, and prayer by Rev. Dr. Sabin, the Association, [with a vote of thanks to the Rev. Dr. Blagden for his able and courteous services as Moderator,] adjourned, *sine die*.

GEORGE W. BLAGDEN, *Moderator.*

GEORGE MOOAR, *Scribe.*
TIMOTHY STOWE, *Assistant Scribe.*

A true copy from the Minutes.

Attest, ALONZO H. QUINT, *Secretary.*

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

Dear Brethren,—

In our last Annual Address, the unprecedented work of grace, just passing, was the engrossing theme. We made it the occasion for a special call to praise, and for a special admonition also. In dread of spiritual declension, so apt to follow scenes of refreshing, we deprecated it the more as a reaction from a state of interest, beyond parallel extended, effectual, and conspicuous.

But if those scenes of last year suggested watchfulness then, do they not put us upon *self-examination* now? Ought not the inquiry to go searchingly through our gates, What fruit do we gather of the great things that were done for us, and of which we were glad?

First of all, are we securing, as one result, a greater *depth* of piety? This was the word last year—a jealous keeping of the heart was insisted on; a diligent care of the whole man of the secret soul and the inner life. Have we *made sure*, brethren, in this particular? Has it become, more than it was, the familiar phrase in Zion, "Thy word have I hid in my heart, that I might not sin against Thee? Mine eyes prevent the night watches, that I might meditate on Thy word?" Has our piety been re-cut indelibly in the very type of the 119th Psalm throughout? Is this the advancement of older disciples under the reviving power? Is it the school of such spiritual discipline, into which the throng of disciples, newly born, have entered in their first love? Surely, if ever "the vine of Egypt" is to "send out her boughs unto the sea, and her branches unto the river," it is "*to take deep root*" also, or it will not "fill the land."

Then, as another result, brethren, have we made sure of *consistency* and *breadth* of Christian character? There was a large membership in the churches before the great revival came. There was extensively prevalent piety with a name, at least, to live. In some traits, multitudes of us Christians were fair, if not exemplary. For some objects, and in

some habits, not a few were zealous. But there was not the consistency of religious character, such as runs into the whole daily life of the individual; there was not the breadth of religious character, such as is felt in the influence of the whole man, striving to be found in cheerful captivity to Christ. Then occurred the great work of God. The prayer-meeting came forth from obscurity, and planted itself in the very centres of business activity, in the village and city alike. Christians thought they would learn to take the room for prayer on their way to the counting-room, or turn for an hour from the one resort to the other as the habit of the day. The very impulse that stirred from East to West over the land was, religion must now enter into all our life; the Lord Jesus must be put on in every action, and in every scene of action. The want of this precisely was deeply felt, first, under the prostrating rebuke of the business panic, and then in the penitence, and shame, and the new-found consecration the Spirit wrought. These were the blossoms of hope; this was the putting forth, and the promise in all our borders, in those wondrous days of our merciful visitation. Do they remain, brethren, in the fruit of a character, which takes up consistently the entire man at every point of conduct, and enters broadly into all the life? Let the inquiry be now as anxious, and all pervading, as the impulse in this direction was earnest on all sides, and the purpose ardent and distinct. Make good the words in which then, with the Psalmist, we fled to the Lord for rescue from the reproach of our iniquity, "Then shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect unto *all* thy commandments."

And now, brethren, once more, have we gained the result of a large-hearted, active, prompt beneficence? If any fruit was to be expected from the late reviving, as a characteristic feature, it was this; quite as much, certainly, as the result of a new power of religion in the life, peculiar as the circumstances were to excite that expectation. Activity of personal effort for souls was itself one of the prevalent impulses of the movement. It sprang up in the Christian body, and about it, where it was least looked for, as if it had been sown by all waters. From every quarter, new and devoted workers presented themselves in the persons of those whose attitude as Christians *had been* irresponsibleness and inefficiency. This was one of the wonders of the hour. And now, brethren, is such personal activity a thing at all abiding; is it the new glory of the entire discipleship?

Then as to heartiness and promptitude in meeting the pressing demands of humane and missionary enterprise; how is the spirit of benevolence coming out of the unparalleled work of grace in this respect?

All guardians of such trusts and operations, were hailing the glorious scene, as perhaps the coming of that good time they had so longed to see. Most justly too. The very panic in affairs, that preceded the revival, was a special rebuke of the worldliness which shut up its compassions against the needy, and withheld too more than was meet, even when it did not refuse to bestow. And now the Savior's love rolls over the land, like the waves of the sea. For scores of years all manner of demands for the heathen, for the degraded, for the outcast, for the oppressed, have been at the doors of the house of God. They have made some impression, and they have had some notice; yet it is too true that in all this long succession of years it has been their lot to call and wait, much more than to receive. But now, is not the harvest-time of this weary sowing in the field of Christian beneficence at hand with the wide quickening power? This was the fond hope and the reasonable expectation. But, brethren, what is the fact to-day? Has that full shining of the love of Jesus left its own bright image in our souls? What say the treasuries of missions on all sides? What response to the inquiry comes from the nations opening wide upon us, from the heathen that perish, from the victims of degradation and oppression, from the crying wants and woes of our own land, and of the whole earth abroad?

Brethren, our exultation was most fit and becoming, when God was with us so graciously. It was well, too, we were then most earnestly admonished. Let our *self-examination* be to-day as seasonable, and let it be faithful also.

"Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that Great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you *perfect in every good work*, to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever, Amen!"

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

We have to record the loving kindness of the Lord, and his blessing upon our churches during the year past. We have occasion to remember that "there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all." At the meeting last year, the District Associations sent up to this body the glad tidings of revivals of religion. In many cases, the cloud of mercy was hanging over the churches; the awakening power of the word of God was seen; many wanderers were turning to Christ "as a cloud and as doves to their windows." Then the blessed outpouring of the Holy Spirit was descending in showers, which, in many of the churches, have continued, with fluctuating measures, to come down for the awakening and conversion of sinners. But, generally, the last year has been the calm and peace, which sometimes follow the summer shower, when the newly quickened germs spring up in fresh life, and the old roots take new vigor, and put forth a fresh growth, advancing towards maturity in the clear shining of the sun after the rain. Instead of the flashes of striking incidents and the marvellous works of grace, which are multiplied in the course of a religious revival, there has been, the last year, a quiet season of fresh life and healthy spiritual growth in the churches.

It is pleasing to learn from the reports presented to this body that, in most of the District Associations, some of the churches have enjoyed a continuance of the recent great revival to the present time. An extensive work of grace has been in progress in Sandisfield, Berlin, Athol, Medway, Foxboro', East Abington, South Abington, the Winthrop Church in East Randolph. In each of the three last named churches there has been a continuous interest in religion for the past two years, and the number of communicants has been nearly doubled.

While the recent work of grace has to a great extent deepened the conviction in the hearts of the private members of the churches, that there is an individual responsibility upon them which they cannot throw off, and while many sinners have already been plucked as brands

from the burning, reclaimed and sanctified, there is still much that remains for the followers of the Redeemer to do; there is much to be done before Zion will "look forth as the morning, fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners."

That which most prominently gives the characteristic feature to the history of our churches the last year, is the large accessions to their membership and to their working power. The whole number added by profession to the churches of our order within the twelve months ending the first of last January is 8,811. The number gathered into the churches during the twelve months now ending is not much smaller.

Andover Association has received an accession of 600 to the membership of the churches the last year. And the statement made in the report from that Association, is substantially conveyed in several other reports, that no unhealthy excitement attended these ingatherings, and scarcely a conversion occurred, the progress of which could not be inspected by pastors and experienced Christians, and thus the young convert be well guarded. The report further says, "Andover Theological Seminary never stood higher in the affections and confidence of our churches; and, indeed, it never stood otherwise than high."

Berkshire North and Berkshire South Associations report prosperity, and mention the continued success of Williams College in its important work for the kingdom of Christ.

Worcester Central Association speaks of a large numerical increase of members in their churches, as resulting from the awakening of 1858, which reached and signally blessed nearly all their congregations. The North Suffolk, and the South Suffolk Associations, present to us similar reports of large accessions, and speak of the promising and active character of the piety of those who have recently united with the churches.

In Brookfield Association, 284 have been added by profession.

In Hampden East, Hampden West, Middlesex Union, Worcester South, Worcester North, and Taunton Associations, accessions have been made to nearly all the churches, ranging in numbers from five to fifty or more to each church the last year, and from two to four hundred in each Association.

Franklin Association reports 400 additions to the membership, which have greatly encouraged and strengthened many of those churches.

Essex South, and Essex North Associations, speak of continued revival influences, and of large additions to some of the churches.

Amherst College and Mount Holyoke Female Seminary continue to prosper and command the confidence and affections of the churches.

The reports sent up to this body from the pastors of Massachusetts,

generally, speak in strong terms of satisfaction, in respect to the increase of spiritual strength as well as of numbers. It appears that, as a general fact, the churches have been led upward to a higher level of Christian life, going "from strength to strength" under the peculiar privileges and gracious influences of the recent revival, while at the same time the new converts, who have united with the churches, and said before the world, "I am the Lord's," have, to a good extent, continued to give evidence of the genuineness of their conversion, by bringing forth the proper fruits of penitence and faith in Christ. When they have taken up for themselves the hope of eternal life and have subscribed with their hand to the church covenant, they have seemed to understand to a good degree that their work was not yet all accomplished, but to be willing to ask, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" This increased activity of Christians, young and old, in obedience to Christ, and in co-operation with the pastors to build up the kingdom of the Redeemer, appears in the prayer meetings, which have been sustained with constancy and abiding usefulness, and have been, by the blessing of God, rendered an important means of the conversion of many souls from the errors of their ways. The prosperous and healthy state of the churches, as at present exhibited in the peace, activity, and Christian life of an increased proportion of their members, is worthy of grateful recognition, as the proper result of a genuine revival of the work of God's grace. The prominence which prayer has held among the means of promoting the work of the Lord, has been calculated to lead Christians to a deeper sense of dependence on the Holy Spirit, and to inspire them with ever fresh encouragement in the gracious sovereignty and promises of God. "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord." Many a report, that comes to us through these pastors, of the way in which the blessing has come to them, is but the reiterating of the Apostle's experience, "When I am weak, then am I strong."

There is reason to believe that the religious experience of the converts in the recent revival has been to a great extent founded on a basis of sound doctrinal instruction. The report from Norfolk Association says, "There has been a marked peculiarity in the visitations of the Holy Spirit in the churches blessed within our bounds. There has been a depth and pungency in the convictions of sin, not before witnessed. The subjects of these convictions have felt, in all its anguish, that they were enemies of God, condemned and justly condemned, *slain* by the Eternal law, and without hope save in the sovereign mercy of God through Christ. As a consequence, there has been a contrast in the change that has supervened, a depth of religious feeling, and a con-

formity of action in the work of well-doing, which promises much for the future." Other reports afford the most abundant testimony to the genuineness of the work of grace, as manifested in an increased interest in the study of the Scriptures, and in earnest labors for Christ and for souls. The remark in the report of Hampden West is characteristic of the fact in many cases; it is this: "In one of our mountain towns a revival of marvellous power has been in progress for several months, and is still going on, the *people* having a mind to work."

From the Congregational bodies in New England and in other parts of the country, in correspondence with us, we are glad to hear of their prosperity in the work of the Lord, and to have so many pleasing evidences that the Congregational system is extending its beneficial influences, and taking root more and more widely in Christian hearts in different parts of the land. Nor do we less sincerely rejoice in hearing of the prosperity and success of our Presbyterian brethren, whose fraternal greetings and assurances of love and good-will we appreciate and reciprocate. We have one Master, and we are brethren.

The reports from the District Associations generally speak of an increased attention to the Sabbath schools, and the happy influence flowing from them. The Brookfield Association say, "A very large proportion of the subjects of the late revival were from the Sabbath schools. In Brimfield, twenty-four of the youth in the Sabbath school have become Christians, and others are inquiring." No doubt there is great need not only of the faithful instructions of the Sabbath school, but also of doctrinal preaching at this time, in order to establish young Christians in a good understanding and love of the great truths which have been commonly called the doctrines of grace, and which are necessary to the development of a full Christian manhood.

With regard to the cause of Temperance, there is a diversity in the reports. In some Associations vigorous efforts have been put forth, and have been attended with encouraging success. In others the tone of the reports is desponding; the cause is stationary, or retrograde.

The expressions that come to us from the District Associations indicate a general and decided sympathy and interest in the American Tract Society in Boston, and an opposition to slavery, becoming more settled into a fixed and conscientious Christian principle.

In reviewing the dealings of God with the pastors and churches of our Association, we cannot fail to notice that death has stricken eight of the ministers during the last year, while greater numbers in the churches have finished their course and gone to their reward; admonishing us to work while the day lasts, and while we work to watch.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF MASSACHUSETTS,

In account with ALONZO H. QUINT, *Treasurer.*

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1858.			
Aug. 20.	To cash paid Express,	$ 50	
Dec. 20.	" Statistical Secretary's postage,	1 87	
1859.			
June 27.	" Statistical Secretary's postage,	3 73	
" "	" Secretary's postage,	45	
" 30.	" Crocker and Brewster's bill for Minutes of 1858,	168 40	
" " "	" " for postage on Minutes,	18 40	
" " "	" " for printing blank Schedules,	3 00	
" " "	Secretary's travelling expenses,	8 00	

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1858.			
June 25.	By Cash from last Treasurer,		3 27
1859.			
June 29.	" Taxes levied in 1858,		170 50
" 30.	" Sale of Minutes, (by C. & B.),		2 60
	Amount due Treasurer,		27 98
		$204 35	$204 35

By which it appears that there is due the Treasurer, $27 98. To meet this there are taxes unpaid, on account of the absence of delegates, amounting to $49 00, most of which is considered reliable. If this is paid, there will be a balance in the Treasury of $21 02.

The printing and circulation of the Minutes of the present session, and of other papers already ordered, will cost (estimate) $178 00. According to our unfortunate system of finance, no money, except the $21 02, will be ready until the session of 1860.

The Committee on Accounts report that they have examined the Treasurer's Report, and find it correct.

The Committee recommend that a tax of 50 cents* be levied upon each member of of District Associations residing in the State, except such as are superannuated.

W L. ROPES,
F. ALVORD,
Committee.

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* This tax is the regular tax due at the next session, and is independent of the extra tax ordered after the Treasurer's Report was read, but before the report of the Committee on Accounts,—which extra tax, thirty-three and one third cents on each member, is due *immediately.* It will be noticed that taxes are levied on all members of Associations residing in the State, except such as are superannuated; and are to be paid by Delegates, "*whether collected or not,*" as by Rule XI. The Treasurer has no option.

RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

I. Doctrinal Basis.—The Associations by which the General Association of Massachusetts was originally organized, agreed to admit, and this Association continues to admit, as articles of faith, the doctrines of Christianity, as they are generally expressed in the Assembly's Shorter Catechism; and the above-mentioned doctrines, understood by us to be distinctly those which, from the beginning, have been embraced by the churches of New England as the doctrines of the Gospel, are considered as the basis of our union.

II. Denominational Basis, and Object.—This General Association is founded on the principles of Congregationalism, and wholly disclaims ecclesiastical jurisdiction over the churches or the opinions of individuals. Its object is, to promote brotherly harmony and intercourse among the ministers of Christ;—to obtain religious information relative to the state of their churches, and of the Christian church in this country and throughout the world;—and to coöperate with one another, and with other ecclesiastical bodies, in the most eligible measures for advancing the cause of truth and holiness.

III. Members.—1. Each District Association in Massachusetts, consenting to the principles of this Union as stated in the first article, may appoint two delegates annually, to compose this General Association; and it is recommended, that one be appointed who attended the preceding year.

2. The Secretary, the Statistical Secretary, and the minister of the church where the Association meet, shall have seats, and act as members; the Associations to which they belong retaining the right to elect their number of Delegates in addition.

3. The principle of the connection formed with the Massachusetts Missionary Society is, that said Society may annually appoint two delegates to this body, who shall be admitted to equal privileges with the members from the District Associations.

4. The preachers of the Home Missionary and Associational Sermons, the chairmen of committees attending to present reports, the delegates who, within the preceding year, attended the meetings of the corresponding bodies to which they were sent, and such others as the Association,

upon the recommendation of the Committee of Arrangements, may vote to admit, shall have seats as Honorary Members, and shall be allowed full liberty to take part in all deliberations, but they shall not be entitled to vote.

IV. Meeting.—1. The several Associations shall have the offer of receiving, in rotation, the annual meeting of the General Association.

2. The time of the annual meeting of this Association, shall be on the fourth Tuesday of June, at four o'clock, P. M., at such place as shall have been duly notified.

V. Quorum.—Twenty members, delegated from the particular Associations of Massachusetts, shall be requisite to form a quorum.

VI. Organization.—1. The minister of the church in the place where the Association meets, or the Secretary, may call the Association to order, and preside in the meeting until the Association shall be properly organized.

2. The certificates of the Delegates present shall be read by the Secretary, or by a temporary Scribe; and the Association shall then be organized by the choice of a Moderator, a Scribe, and, if necessary, an assistant Scribe, by ballot. The Rules of the Association shall also be read, and the Moderator shall open the business with prayer.

VII. Special Order.—1. At the opening of the session on the morning of each subsequent day, the Moderator shall take the chair at the hour to which the Association stands adjourned; shall immediately call the members to order; shall direct the roll to be called; shall open the meeting with prayer; and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read; and the session of each day shall be closed with prayer.

2. The Committees for the session shall be appointed upon Tuesday.

3. An annual sermon shall be preached before the Association on Tuesday evening, on the subject of Home Missions, and a collection taken. The preacher shall be appointed by this body.

4. Wednesday, A. M. and P. M., shall be appropriated to the following objects:—not exceeding half an hour to necessary business; hearing reports of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies; receiving salutations of Delegates from Corresponding Bodies, who shall be expected to confine their remarks within ten minutes; hearing the narratives from the Delegates of the several Associations concerning the state of religion and the churches, which shall be presented in writing, with a view to obtain an accurate account of the principal facts, not however to prevent any more particular details which the Delegates may think expedient to add, or the Association to request,—no report of the state of religion being read in public, unless it be approved by the Association from which it comes, or by the Committee of Arrangements of the General Association,—no report being allowed to exceed four minutes, and the Moderator being instructed to enforce this rule; the discussion of theological and practical

questions connected with the ministerial profession, and in accordance with a schedule prepared by a special Committee and printed with the notices. Wednesday evening shall be occupied by religious services having special reference to the people of the place of meeting.

5. The Associational Sermon, the preacher of which shall be appointed by each Association in turn, shall be delivered at two o'clock, Thursday, P. M., after which the Lord's Supper shall be administered.

6. Previously to the close of each meeting, the General Association shall specify a place for meeting the next year, and request some District Association to appoint a preacher to deliver the Associational Sermon. And the church of the place of meeting is desired to make preparations to celebrate the Lord's Supper during the session.

7. Each annual meeting shall be closed with a psalm or hymn, and prayer by the Moderator, or such other member as he shall appoint.

VIII. Permanent Officers.—1. The Secretary shall be chosen for three years, from the close of the meeting at which the choice shall be made. He shall, *ex officio*, be the Treasurer of the General Association, and shall be authorized to pay such expenses as are allowed by the Association, and shall be allowed his own travelling expenses in attending the meetings of this Association. He shall receive the publications from foreign bodies, and distribute them among the several Associations, in proportion to the tax paid by them respectively. One copy of each publication, received by the General Association, or printed by its order, shall be kept in the archives.

2. A Statistical Secretary shall be chosen for three years from the first of September following his appointment. He shall procure the Statistics of the churches through the Scribes or other statistical officers of the District Associations; complete and arrange them for publication, and present them in that form and properly combined into a summary, at the same time with the reports of the District Associations at each session. He shall superintend their printing; shall be a member, *ex officio*, of this body and of the Publishing Committee, and shall be allowed his travelling expenses in attending the meetings of the Association.

IX. Committees.—1. At each meeting of the Association, a Committee on Credentials shall be appointed.

2. At each meeting of the Association, a Committee of Arrangements, consisting of three, shall be appointed by nomination, to prepare the business of the session; and no business shall be introduced during the session, but through the hands, and with the approbation of the Committee. But if said Committee decline presenting any item of business proposed by any member, he shall have the privilege of appeal to the Association.

3. A Committee shall be appointed annually, to audit the accounts, who shall report the state of the treasury, and the sum in their opinion necessary to be paid the next year by the members of the several Associations connected with this body.

4. A Committee shall be appointed to receive the narratives and statements, and shall condense them into one narrative, to be submitted to the General Association and published. The written narratives shall be deposited with the Secretary.

5. A Committee shall be appointed to nominate Delegates to Corresponding bodies.

6. A Committee of three shall be annually appointed, to submit to the General Association at the next meeting, a *Pastoral Address*, to excite the attention of ministers and Christians to faithful discipline in the churches, the instruction of the rising generation, the sanctification of the Sabbath, and other subjects relating to the general interests of religion. The address being approved by the General Association, shall be signed by the Moderator, and printed with the minutes. This Committee shall be chosen from the several Associations in rotation.

7. A Committee to be chosen from the several Associations in rotation, shall be appointed to prepare a Schedule of Questions for the next meeting, which they shall furnish to the Secretary, to be published with the notices of the session.

8. A Publishing Committee shall be annually appointed, to make such extracts from the minutes of the meeting, as in their judgment it will be proper to publish; procure to be printed such number of copies, with the Pastoral Address, Narrative of the State of Religion, and Statistics of the churches, as will give one copy to each minister of the Associations represented in this body; and such a number of copies for other bodies connected with this Association, as shall be mutually agreed upon, and shall transmit them under the direction of the Secretary.

X. Correspondence.—1. Our principles of fraternal intercourse with all ecclesiastical bodies in correspondence with us are, that this Association, and each body so connected with it, shall annually appoint Delegates to the other, which shall be admitted to the privilege of sitting, and deliberating upon all matters which may come under consideration.

2. The delegates shall, as far as practicable, be selected from the District Associations in rotation. The brethren chosen substitutes in the delegations to the bodies in our connection, shall, at our next session, be considered as Delegates to the respective bodies, if they shall not previously have taken their seats there, through the failure of their principals.

3. The printed Minutes of the Association shall be sufficient testimonials of the appointment of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies.

4. It shall be the duty of those Delegates who attend the meetings of Corresponding Bodies, whether they be primaries or substitutes, to certify the Secretary in writing, on or before the opening of the annual meeting next after his appointment.

XI. Assessments.—It shall be the duty of the Delegates of the District Associations, to pay the amount of the assessments due from their respective Associations for the past year, whether collected or not.

XII. Statistics.—1. The Statistical returns, with respect to the number in the churches, etc., shall be made out according to a printed schedule of this body, and according to the numbers on the first of January past.

2. The names of all the members of the Associations belonging to this body, whether with or without charge, shall be inserted in the published returns, and corrected up to the date of publication.

3. Each District Association connected with this body, is requested to appoint a Statistical Scribe, to collect the statistics of the churches within its bounds, in methods designated by this body, and under the direction of the Statistical Secretary of the General Association.

XIII. Rules of Order.—1. Every motion, on being seconded, shall, if requested by the Moderator, or any two members, be reduced to writing, and no motion shall be open to discussion, until it be seconded.

2. The Moderator may speak to points of order, in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house by any two members. But he may not speak to the merits of the question without leaving the chair, and placing some other member in it, to preside while he speaks.

3. On questions of order, adjournment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question, no member shall speak more than once. Nor on any question shall a member speak more than twice, without leave of the Association.

4. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question, viz. Shall the main question be now put? The effect of adopting the previous question shall be to put an end to debate, and to bring the Association to a direct vote upon amendments reported by a Committee if any, upon pending amendments, and then upon the main question.

5. If a question under debate contain several parts, any member may have it divided, and a question taken on each part.

6. Every member, when speaking, shall address himself to the chair; and shall be subject to no needless interruption; if he act disorderly, it shall be the duty of the Moderator, and the privilege of other members, to call him to order.

7. No member shall leave the Association before the session is closed, except with the consent of the body; nor shall any one leave the house during a sitting, without the consent of the Moderator.

XIV. Amendments.—A *Vote* or *Resolve* to establish, alter, or annul a *standing rule* of this body, shall be read twice on different days, and may be debated at each reading. At the first reading the question shall be, Shall it be read the second time?

ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS.

The order in which the several Associations have the offer of receiving the ANNUAL MEETING OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION; Middlesex South having the session of 1860:

Suffolk North, Suffolk South, Vineyard Sound, Salem, Berkshire South, Mendon, Andover, Brewster, Taunton, Hampshire, Essex South, Hampshire East, Norfolk, Berkshire North, Middlesex South, Brookfield, Old Colony, Plymouth, Hampden East, Essex North, Hampden West, Franklin, Worcester South, Woburn, Worcester North, Middlesex Union, Worcester Central.

The order in which the several Associations shall appoint one of their number as PREACHER OF THE ASSOCIATIONAL SERMON; Norfolk appointing the preacher of 1860:

Worcester Central, Suffolk North, Suffolk South, Salem, Berkshire North, Vineyard Sound, Essex South, Franklin, Worcester South, Mendon, Hampden East, Brookfield, Hampden West, Middlesex South, Norfolk, Hampshire, Hampshire East, Worcester North, Old Colony, Plymouth, Taunton, Middlesex Union, Woburn, Essex North, Brewster, Andover, Berkshire South.

The order in which a Committee will be appointed from the several Associations to prepare the PASTORAL LETTER,—one from Suffolk North to prepare the Letter for adoption in 1860:

Brewster, Berkshire North, Mendon, Vineyard Sound, Taunton, Essex North, Middlesex South, Plymouth, Hampshire, Hampden East, Suffolk North, Suffolk South, Essex South, Middlesex Union, Woburn, Brookfield, Hampshire East, Franklin, Norfolk, Old Colony, Andover, Worcester Central, Worcester South, Worcester North, Hampden West, Berkshire South, Salem.

The Committee for preparing the SCHEDULE OF QUESTIONS, ordered by Rule IX, Section 7, is taken from the several Associations in alphabetical order,—the Committee to report in 1860 being taken from Berkshire North.

Delegates to Corresponding Bodies are selected from the several Associations in rotation. At the meeting in 1860, one Substitute Delegate from each District Association will be appointed to the Body whose name stands in the opposite column. It is the privilege of each Association to nominate a person, who will, regularly, become Primary the succeeding year:

Andover, and Mendon,	Michigan.
Berkshire North, and Middlesex South,	New Hampshire.
Berkshire South, and Middlesex Union,	New York.
Norfolk, (two,)	Rhode Island.
Brewster, and Old Colony,	Vermont.
Brookfield, and Plymouth,	Wisconsin, and Nebraska.
Essex North, and Salem,	Kansas, and Minnesota.
Essex South, and Suffolk North,	General Assembly, (N. S.)
Franklin, and Suffolk South,	Connecticut, and Oregon.
Hampden East, and Taunton,	California, and Ohio.
Hampden West, and Vineyard Sound,	England, and Canada.
Hampshire, and Woburn,	Illinois.
Hampshire East, and Worcester Central,	Iowa.
Worcester North, and Worcester South,	Maine.

Changes from year to year are made in the following manner:—The column of Associations remaining fixed, the lowest name in the column of States one year, is placed at the head of its own list the next year, the others in that list being lowered, each one line. Thus, next year, "Maine" will be placed opposite "Andover, and Mendon," "Michigan" will be in a line with "Berkshire North, and Middlesex South," and the remainder will follow in order.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

EXPLANATIONS.

1. Associations are arranged in alphabetical order; towns, alphabetically in each Association; churches in each town, according to age; and of each church, (1) its town, (2) its locality in the town, and (3) its name, which name is always followed by "ch."

2. The "total" number of clergymen in each table, is reckoned by tables, not by membership in the Association; although the membership is given for the convenience of the Association. "Resident" are those who reside in Massachusetts.

3. The columns specifying churches and ministers are corrected up to July 1, 1859; church members are reported for Jan. 1st preceding; admissions, removals, and baptisms cover the year 1858; "absent" are *included in* "males," "females," and "total"; "Sabbath School" includes total *membership* of teachers and scholars at the time of reporting, covering "branch schools" when under the *exclusive* care of the reporting church.

4. Churches organized since Dec. 31, 1858, are reported with their *original* membership, but are not included in the summaries.

5. Dates of church organization printed in *italics*, are those which have been *authenticated* for this report by reference to original records; those not so designated *may* be correct, but the Statistical Secretary has not been able to obtain knowledge on the subject.

6. Dates earlier than 1752 are given in "old style." To reduce such to "new style,"—if it be a date in the 17th century, add ten days; if it be a date of the 18th century (prior to 1752,) add eleven days.

7. "Ordained" denotes the date on which the person was originally set apart to the ministry "by the laying on of hands;" "Installed" denotes the date of his *present* pastorate.

8. All *Post-office addresses* are to be found in the Index of clergymen, and *not* in the tables. The *towns*, in the latter, are often different from the Post-office addresses, in the former.

9. In *no* instance is any number in these Statistics supplied from the returns of previous years; blanks signify ignorance or carelessness. Nor is a single figure inserted without reliable authority.

10. See "Remarks" at the close of the tables.

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1. ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.			Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Andover, South ch.	*Oct.* 17, 1711	George Mooar,	Oct. 10, 1855	Oct. 10, 1855	102	247	349	64	29	13	42	9	17	5	31	10	5	240
" Theol. Sem. ch.	Aug. 20, 1816	Faculty,	Acting	pastors.	350	60	410	314	12	10	22	0	9	0	9	2	0	40
" West ch.	*Dec.* 5, 1826	James H. Merrill,	Nov. 26, 1839	Apr. 30, 1856	76	160	236	38	17	3	20	4	11	2	17	8	3	200
" Free ch.	*May* 7, 1846	None,			55	121	176	40	42	18	60	2	13	0	15	21	1	200
" Ballardvale,	*Dec.* 31, 1854	Henry S. Greene,	Dec. 27, 1837	Apr. 1, 1855	12	42	54	6	5	2	7	1	5	0	6	3	1	125
Chelmsford, 2d ch.	Apr. 27, 1824	Benjamin F. Clark,	Aug. 1, 1839	Aug. 1, 1839	25	54	79	16		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Dracut, 1st ch.	1721	*William Allen,	Jan. 29, 1817	Stated sup.	31	61	92	7	3	1	9	0	2	0	2	2	0	90
" West ch.	Aug. 31, 1797	None,			46	85	131	14	31	3	34	1	0	0	1	20	0	100
" Central ch.	July 25, 1847	None,			38	54	92	3	19	1	20	1	1	0	2	5	1	120
Lawrence, 1st ch.	*Apr.* 19, 1847	Caleb E. Fisher,	Aug. 23, 1843	Apr. 13, 1859	113	214	327	87	37	14	51	3	28	0	31	21	8	460
" Central ch	*Dec.* 25, 1849	Daniel Tenney,	May 13, 1845	Sep. 2, 1857	134	275	409	51	134	18	152	2	15	0	17	40	10	473
Lowell, 1st ch.	*June* 6, 1826	Jonathan L. Jenkins,	Oct. 17, 1855	Oct. 17, 1855	85	285	370	78	70	18	88	4	21	0	25	30	12	468
" Appleton-st. c.	*Dec.* 2, 1831	J. P. Cleaveland, D.D.	Feb. 14, 1827	Oct. 2, 1855	75	315	390	76	22	8	30	5	16	0	21	15	3	251
" John-st. ch.	*May* 9, 1839	Eden B. Foster,	Aug. 11, 1841	Feb. 3, 1853	134	296	430	50	30	20	50	1	14	0	15	15	3	430
" Kirk-st ch.	*May* 21, 1845	A Blanchard, D. D.	Dec. 25, 1829	May 21, 1845	72	238	310	65	50	16	66	0	13	0	13	23	26	300
" High-st. ch.	Jan. 22, 1846	Owen Street,	Feb. 3, 1842	Sep. 16, 1857	51	112	163	18	31	23	54	0	10	0	10	13	9	302
Methuen,	*Oct.* 29, 1729	John C. Phillips,	Dec. 18, 1833	Dec. 25, 1839	63	120	183	59	17	0	17	2	7	0	9	7	0	150
North Andover, Ev. c.	*Sep.* 3, 1834	L Henry Cobb,	Oct. 28, 1857	Oct 28, 1857	24	96	120	20	19	6	25	1	2	0	3	10	6	130
Tewksbury,	Nov. 29, 1734	Richard Tolman,	Sep. 17, 1845	Aug. 25, 1852	57	114	171	23	22	5	27	3	6	0	9	8	5	134
Total, 19		14 Pastors, 1 s s,† 3 vacant ch.			1543	2949	4492	1029	595	179	774	39	190	7	236	258	93	4313

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Elijah P. Barrows, D. D, Hitchcock Prof. of Heb. Lang. and Lit., Andover, ord June 6, 1832; Spencer F. Beard, Andover, ord. Jan. 14, 1829; Steadman W. Hanks, Sec. Am. Seamen's Friend Society, Lowell, ord March 20, 1840; Isaac Hosford, Chaplain Insane Asylum, Worcester, ord Feb 14, 1838; Samuel C. Jackson, D. D., Assistant Sec. Mass Board of Education, Andover, ord June 6, 1827; David Oliphant, Andover, ord. May 15, 1815; John L. Taylor, Treasurer of Trustees of Phillips Academy, Andover, ord. July 18, 1839.—7. *Non-Resident:* Milton Badger, D. D., Sec. Am. H. Miss. Society, New York, ord. Jan. 3, 1828; George Darling, Hudson, O., ord. (when?); Moses Kimball, Ascutneyville, Vt, ord. (when?); George W. Thompson, Stratham, N H., ord. (when?)

*Not a member of Association. †In addition to the Professors at Andover.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in February, April, June, October, and December.

OWEN STREET, Lowell, Scribe; GEORGE MOOAR, Andover, Statistical Scribe.

2. BERKSHIRE NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Adams, North,	*Apr.* 19, 1827	Albert Paine,	Sep. 7, 1848	Dec. 3, 1856	37	131	168	36	11	3	14	3	7	0	10	5	1	110
" South,	*Jan.* 1, 1810	None,			26	81	107	31	18	5	23	4	4	0	8	11	4	80
Becket, North,	Sep. 25, 1819	William C. Foster,	1848	Stated sup.	38	66	104	13	34	2	36	1	7	0	8	13	6	75
Dalton,	*Feb.* 16, 1785	None,			37	82	119	10	22	6	28	6	6	0	12	14	6	70
Hinsdale,	Dec 17, 1795	Kinsley Twining,	Aug 26, 1858	Aug 26, 1858	70	111	181	20	1	7	8	4	4	0	8	0	3	180
Lanesboro',	Mar. 28, 1764	George T. Dole,	Oct. 6, 1842	Stated sup.	17	31	48	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	40
Peru,	June, 1770	None,			58	76	134	20	8	4	12	1	5	0	6	5	1	150
Pittsfield, 1st ch.	*Feb.* 7, 1764	John Todd, D. D.	Jan. 1, 1827	Feb. 16, 1842			703	343	26	13	39	4	12	0	16	4	13	250
" 2d (colored,)	Feb. 20, 1846	Samuel Harrison,	Aug. 13, 1850	Aug. 13, 1850	10	29	39	7	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	9	40
" South,	Nov. 12, 1850	Roswell Foster,	Mar. 14, 1855	Feb. 2, 1859	93	185	278	26	2	3	5	4	20	0	24			100
Richmond,	1765	Charles S. Renshaw,	Fall of 1837	Nov. 16, 1853	26	63	89	8	5	0	5	1	0	0	1	2	1	90
Washington,	*In* 1772	Moses M Longley,	May 28, 1846	*	5	17	22	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70
Williamstown, 1st ch	1765	Addison Ballard,	Sep 15 1857	Sep. 15, 1857	About		250		20	6	26	5	15	0	20	9	7	50
" College ch.	June 15, 1834	Mark Hopkins, D. D.	Sep. 15, 1836	Sep. 15, 1836	87	0	87	64	13	4	17	0	8	0	8	3	0	0
" 2d ch.	1838	None,			13	23	36	4										
Windsor,	Dec 21, 1772	Salmon C. Perry,	Nov. 12, 1856	Stated sup.	24	36	60	7	3	4	7	0	5	0	5	2	1	90
Total, 16		8 Pastors, 4 s. s., 4 vacant chhs.			541	931	2425	616	165	57	222	34	93	0	127	68	53	1395

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* J. Jay Dana, Adams, ord. Sept. 9, 1835; Calvin Durfee, Williamstown, ord. April, 1828; N. H. Griffin, Williamstown, ord. June 28, 1839; Heman Humphrey, D D., Pittsfield, ord March 16, 1807; Isaac N. Lincoln, Williams College, ord. Sept 6, 1853; C. V Spear, Pittsfield, ord. Oct. 27, 1852; John Tatlock, Williams College, ord. Oct. 12. 1852.—7. *Non-Resident:* Russell S. Cook, New York, ord Jan. 1837; Dwight W. Marsh, Missionary, Mosul, Turkey, ord. Oct. 2, 1849 at Dalton; Marshall D. Saunders, Missionary, Ceylon, ord July 17. 1851 at Williamstown; G. W. Timlow, stated supply, North Lebanon, N. Y, ord. Sept. 12, 1844; Hymen A. Wilder, Missionary in South Africa, ord. Feb. 28, 1849 at South Adams.

*"Pastor" of Congregational and Methodist churches, by vote March 3, 1859.

Association meets on the last Monday in January, April, July, and October.

KINSLEY TWINING, Hinsdale, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

3. BERKSHIRE SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

NOTE.—The Berkshire Association was organized in 1763, and was divided into North and South, Oct. 14, 1852.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Alford,	*Aug.* 13, 1846	None,			9	19	28	7	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	25
Becket, 1st ch.	*Dec.* 28, 1758	Spencer O. Dyer,	Apr. 21, 1858	Apr. 21, 1858	35	68	103	15	23	3	26	3	6	0	9	14	0	60
Egremont,	*Nov.* 22, 1816	James B. Cleaveland,	June 8, 1852	July 12, 1855	34	75	109	15	7	1	8	2	4	0	6	3	3	88
Great Barrington,	*Dec.* 28, 1743	Horace Winslow,	May 25, 1842	Jan. 6, 1858	63	112	175	24	23	4	27	2	7	0	9	6	3	150
" Housatonic,	*June* 18, 1841	*Josiah Brewer,	May 10, 1826	Stated sup.	23	59	82	34	2	2	4	0	4	1	5	0	1	82
Lee,	*May* 25, 1780	Nahum Gale, D. D.	June 22, 1842	Sep. 1, 1853	163	274	437	37	74	26	100	7	11	0	18	36	10	200
Lenox,	1769	Edmund K. Alden,	Jan. 2, 1850	Nov. 15, 1854	65	166	231	23	9	3	12	5	5	1	11	5	2	177
Monterey,	*Sep.* 25, 1750	Winthrop H. Phelps,	Feb. 9, 1848	Dec. 27, 1854	24	61	85	19	1	0	1	4	13	0	17	0	0	90
New Marlboro', 1st ch.	*Oct.* 31, 1744	Richard T. Searle,	May 8, 1845	Sep. 28 1852	36	73	109	27	1	8	9	2	3	0	5	1	2	123
" Southfield	*Apr.* 25, 1794	Otis Lombard,	June 14, 1849	June 14, 1849	22	44	66	14	6	2	8	0	1	0	1	3	2	75
Otis,	*Feb.* 2, 1779	Thomas A. Hall,	June 16, 1841	Stated sup.	26	69	95	15	10	1	11	1	1	0	2	8	0	94
Sandisfield,	*Feb.* 24, 1756	Aaron Pickett,	June 23, 1826	Jan. 23, 1851	64	137	201	52	14	2	16	4	6	0	10	7	0	145
Sheffield,	*Oct.* 22, 1735	George E. Hill,	June 5, 1851	May 6, 1855	36	142	178	6	25	3	28	8	4	0	12	11	3	194
Stockbridge,	*Oct* 18, 1734	Alfred H. Dashiell, Jr.	Dec. 28, 1847	Dec. 11, 1850	98	176	274	46	43	6	49	7	8	0	15	17	13	150
" Curtisville,	*Dec.* 22, 1824	†			43	76	119	47	15	2	17	0	2	0	2	4	0	58
W. Stockbridge,	*Dec.* 25, 1833	Daniel D. Frost,	Dec. 30, 1846	Mar. 25, 1857	29	69	98	45	10	3	13	1	1	0	2	8	1	65
" Center,	*June* 14, 1789	Lewis Pennell,	Sep. 17, 1833	Dec. 6, 1854	34	46	80	10	7	1	8	4	2	0	6	6	0	50
Total, 17		13 Pastors, 2 s. s., 2 vacant chhs.			804	1666	2470	436	272	67	339	50	78	2	130	130	40	1826

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* David D. Field, D. D., Stockbridge, ord. April 11, 1804; Rufus Pomeroy, Otis, ord. Sept. 15, 1811; Josiah W. Turner, Agent of Am. Tract Society, Andover, ord. April 19, 1837.—3. *Non-Resident:* John C. Brigham, D. D., Sec. Am. Bible Soc., New York city, ord. Oct 10, 1832; Stephen S. N. Greeley, stated supply, Grand Rapids, Michigan, ord. Jan. 31, 1839; George Uhler, ord. Oct. 17, 1847; Samuel Uley, Concord, N. H, ord. Nov. 3, 1831. *Elsewhere enumerated:* Zolva Whitmore, stated supply, Chester Factories, ord. Sept. 5, 1821.

*Not a member of the Association. †Supplied by Seth C. Brace, a licentiate.

Association meets on the last Monday in January, April, July, and October.

ALFRED H. DASHIELL, Jr., Stockbridge, Scribe; OTIS LOMBARD, Southfield, Statistical Scribe.

4. BREWSTER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.			Admitted 1858.				Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Barnstable, Hyannis,	*Jan.* 3, 1854	Charles Morgridge,	Sep. 20, 1831	Jan. 21, 1858	8	16	21	6	3	2	5	1	0	0	1	0	0	40
Chatham,	*June* 15, 1720	*Calvin Chapman,	Dec. 8, 1842	Stated sup.	34	99	133	13	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	6	100
Dennis, South,	*Jan.* 16, 1817	Wm. H. Sturtevant,	Nov. 15, 1853	Dec. 10, 1856	28	50	78	6	0	0	0	6	0	0	6	0	0	150
†Eastham,	*In* 1646	None,			13	31	44	2	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	0	35
Harwich,	*Nov.* 6, 1747	‡Joseph R. Munsell,	Oct. 26, 1831	Stated sup.	16	53	69	15	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	90
" Port, Pilgrim ch.	*Apr.* 3, 1855	Frederick Hebard,	July 1849	Stated sup.	9	18	27	0	1	1	2	0	3	2	4	0	0	90
Orleans,	*In* 1719	Jacob White,	Jan. 13, 1836	June 1, 1841	29	91	120	2	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0	225
Provincetown,	*In* 1714	Osborne Myrick,	Feb. 18, 1846	Feb. 18, 1846	16	53	69	4	18	2	20	0	0	0	0	3	0	80
†Sandwich, Puritan c.	*Mar.* 21, 1847	None,			15	35	50	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Truro,	*Nov.* 1, 1711	Edward W. Noble,	Dec. 26, 1849	Dec. 26, 1849	45	75	120	6	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	2	170
" North,	*May* 22, 1842	Job Cushman,	July 6, 1825	Stated sup.	5	16	21	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
Wellfleet, 1st ch.	*In* 1730	Samuel Hopley,	Sep. 19, 1855	Mar. 12, 1857	78	134	212	25	3	0	3	4	3	0	7	1	4	140
" South,	*Dec.* 4, 1833	‖Joseph H. Patrick,	Nov. 22, 1827	Stated sup.	43	78	121	20	6	0	6	2	1	0	3	1	0	150
Yarmouth,	*In* 1639	Abel K. Packard,	Dec. 16, 1851	Dec. 16, 1851	30	83	113	16	10	0	10	4	1	0	5	1	3	138
" West,	*Sep.* 30, 1840	John E. Cory	Oct. 12, 1853	Stated sup.	7	38	45	10	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	50
Total, 15		7 Pastors, 6 s. s., 2 vacant chhs.			376	870	1246	136	42	5	47	29	16	2	47	7	16	1518

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Ebenezer Chase, Tisbury, ord. Aug. 19, 1810; Nathaniel Cogswell, Yarmouth, ord. Aug. 24, 1822; Enoch Pratt, Brewster' ord. June, 1807; Cyrus Stone, Boston, ord. May 10, 1826—4. *Non-Resident:* Moses H. Wilder, Otisville, N. Y., ord. April 21, 1835.

*Member of Plymouth Association. †These chhs. have no public worship. ‡Not a member of this Association. ‖Member of Hampshire East Association.

Association meets on the second Tuesday of April and October.

ABEL K. PACKARD, Yarmouth, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

5. BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Brimfield,	*Nov.* 18, 1724	Jason Morse,	Dec. 12, 1849	Dec. 12, 1849	50	134	184	16	10	5	15	4	5	0	9	2	1	240
Brookfield,	*Apr.* 15, 1756	Jesse K. Bragg,	Oct. 19, 1842	Sep. 14, 1852	44	95	139	20	9	7	16	1	6	0	7	6	0	100
Charlton,	*Apr.* 16, 1761	John Haven,	Dec. 14, 1836	July 12, 1855	22	83	105	15	20	2	22	4	6	0	10	14	1	150
Dana, Centre,	*Sep.* 28, 1852	John Keep,	Sep. 30, 1835	Nov. 15, 1853	12	31	43	8	14	0	14	3	1	0	4	10	0	80
Dudley,	1732	*Henry Pratt,	Oct. 25, 1854	Oct. 25, 1854	44	110	154	9	13	3	16	2	4	0	6	10	1	135
Hardwick,	*Nov.* 17, 1736	Martyn Tupper,	Apr 16, 1828	June 23, 1852	31	72	103	25	3	2	5	3	3	1	7	1	2	130
Holland,	*Sep.* 12, 1765	Francis Wood,	Feb. 26, 1823	Stated sup.	16	25	41	1	5	0	5	0	3	0	3	3	0	70
New Braintree,	*Apr.* 18, 1754	John H. Gurney,	Feb. 28, 1850	Apr. 23, 1856	18	71	89	8	6	3	9	1	2	0	3	2	1	90
North Brookfield, 1st c.	*May* 28, 1752	{ Thomas Snell, D. D. { Christop'r Cushing,	June 27, 1798	June 27, 1798														
" Union ch.	*June* 7, 1854	Wm. H Beecher,	Feb 21, 1849	Sep. 17, 1851	98	206	304	10	32	5	37	3	9	0	12	17	2	375
Oakham,	*June* 3, 1773	James Kimball,	Mar. 25, 1830	June 3, 1857	36	72	108	13	12	2	14	3	5	0	8	6	0	250
Southbridge,	*Sep* 16, 1801	Eber Carpenter,	June 13, 1825	Dec. 6, 1832	83	158	241	36	8	1	9	8	12	1	21	8	0	200
Spencer,	*May* 17, 1744	S G. Dodd,	Feb. 17, 1830	Dec 1, 1835	51	127	178	48	16	8	24	1	13	0	14	9	0	130
Sturbridge,	*Sep.* 29, 1736	S. G. Clapp,	Oct. 20, 1852	Aug. 23, 1854	40	112	152	10	34	8	42	2	1	0	3	24	3	200
Ware, 1st ch.	*May* 9, 1751	Ariel P. Chute,	Jan. 9, 1828	Mar 26, 1856	72	142	214	34	7	2	9	5	10	0	15	4	2	140
" East ch.	*Apr.* 12, 1826	A. E. P. Perkins,	Mar. 16, 1836	Sep. 22, 1857	48	89	137	29	11	2	13	1	2	0	3	3	4	130
Warren,	*In* 1742	Stephen S Smith,	Sep. 18, 1844	Dec. 5, 1855	98	191	289	30	53	15	68	5	13	0	18	31	21	425
West Brookfield,	*Oct.* 16, 1717	*Christ. M. Cordley,	Nov. 11, 1831	Apr. 13, 1854	53	121	174	25	14	6	20	3	2	0	5	4	1	150
Total, 18		18 Pastors, 1 s. s.	Sep. 15, 1819	June 8, 1859	56	98	154	36	17	2	19	6	7	0	13	9	10	130
					872	1937	2809	373	284	73	357	55	104	2	161	163	49	3125

OTHER MEMBERS.—None.

*Not members of the Association.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, third Tuesday in April, and first Tuesday in July and October.

A. E. P. PERKINS, Ware, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

6. ESSEX NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Amesbury, West,	*May* 19, 1726	Leander Thompson,	Nov. 30, 1838	Sep. 20, 1851	73	151	224	31	17	7	24	2	8	1	11	7	4	200
" Mills,	*Dec.* 6, 1831	None,			49	114	163	28	6	0	6	1	10	0	11	3	0	145
" and Salisbury,	*Oct.* 14, 1835	None,			18	56	74	12	8	4	12	1	1	0	2	8	3	99
Boxford, West,	*Dec.* 9, 1736	Calvin E. Park,	Oct. 31, 1838	Oct. 14, 1846	31	54	85	3	11	0	11	0	0	0	0	5	2	75
Bradford,	*Dec.* 1682	James T. McCollom,	June 25, 1841	Jan. 25, 1854	87	148	235	12	36	8	44	1	4	0	5	25	4	225
Georgetown,	*Oct.* 4, 1732	Charles Beecher,	1844	Nov. 19, 1857	71	137	208	17	50	8	58	4	6	0	10	36	2	353
Groveland,	*June* 7, 1727	{ G. B. Perry, D. D. / { Thomas Doggett,	Sep. 28, 1814 / Mar. 4, 1857	Sep 28, 1814 / Mar. 4, 1857	48	101	149	2	7	0	7	2	2	0	4	2	0	125
Haverhill, West,	*Oct.* 1735	Asa Farwell,	Apr. 21, 1853	Apr 21, 1853	43	73	116	17	19	2	21	3	2	0	5	13	0	140
" East,	*Nov.* 28, 1744	Abraham Burnham,	Sep. 30, 1857	Sep. 30, 1857	14	24	38	7	6	3	9	0	3	0	3	6	0	45
" Centre,	*Aug* 28, 1833	Benj. F. Hosford,	May 21, 1845	May 21, 1845	76	189	265	19	46	14	60	1	0	0	1	15	11	200
" Winter-st. ch.	*May* 13, 1839	Leonard S. Parker,	Dec 16, 1837	June 1, 1853	55	87	142	15	27	16	43	4	3	0	7	15	5	210
† " North cong c.	*Mar.* 30, 1859	None,			30	54	84	0										
*Ipswich, 1st ch.	1634	{ David T. Kimball, / { Robert Southgate,	Oct. 8, 1806 / Jan. 4, 1832	Sep. 8, 1806 / July 24, 1851														
" Linebrook,	*Dec.* 13, 1749	Edward F. Abbott,		Stated sup.	30	28	58	11	12	1	13	0	1	0	1	1	0	65
Newbury, 1st ch.	*May* 16, 1635	{ L. Withington, D.D. / { John R. Thurston,	Oct. 31, 1816 / Jan. 20, 1859	Oct. 31, 1816 / Jan. 20, 1859	46	143	189	22	51	1	52	7	2	1	10	34	22	170
" Byfield ch.	*Nov.* 17, 1706	Charles Brooks,	June 16, 1858	June 16, 1858	67	92	159	22	51	4	55	3	5	0	8	27	0	145
Newburyp't, North ch	*Jan.* 18, 1768	L. F. Dimmick, D. D.	Dec. 8, 1819	Dec 8, 1819	55	265	320	4	47	1	48	7	0	0	7	23	5	200
" 4th ch.	*May* 30, 1793	Randolph Campbell,		Oct 12, 1837	77	200	277	28	63	8	71	6	7	0	13	30	9	231
" Belleville,	*Apr.* 1808	Daniel T. Fiske,	Aug. 18, 1847	Aug. 18, 1847	67	155	222	14	63	2	65	2	7	0	9	33	6	250
" Whitefield ch.	*Jan.* 1, 1850	Samuel J. Spalding,	Oct. 28, 1846	June 30, 1851	49	146	195	19	50	9	59	1	4	0	5	33	1	270
Rowley,	*Dec.* 3, 1639	John Pike,	Nov. 18, 1840	Nov. 18, 1840	48	124	172	8	20	1	21	3	2	0	5	12	4	100
Salisbury, Hill,	*Nov.* 19, 1718	Benjamin Sawyer,	1809	Stated sup.	5	17	22	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
W. Newbury, 1st ch.	*Oct.* 26, 1798	Charles D. Herbert,	Apr. 24, 1846	Mar. 5, 1857	42	64	106	10	20	8	28	6	2	1	9	8	2	156
" 2d ch.	*Sep.* 1, 1731	Davis Foster,	Nov. 1, 1855	Nov. 1, 1855	35	117	152	7	18	4	22	3	1	0	4	6	11	346
Total, 22		21 Pastors, 2 s. s., 3 vacant chhs.			1086	2185	3571	510	628	101	729	57	70	3	130	342	91	3755

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* John P. Cowles, Principal of Young Ladies Sem., Ipswich, ord. June 18, 1833; J. Q. A. Edgell, Agent for Western Colleges, Andover, ord. Sept. 19, 1832; Willard Holbrook, Rowley, ord. July 22, 1818; Nathan Munroe, Editor Boston Recorder, Bradford, ord. Feb 10, 1836; W. G. T. Shedd, Brown Professor in Andover Theological Seminary, ord. Jan. 4, 1844; Henry A. Woodman, Newburport, ord. Nov. 30, 1842.—6. A. R. Timlow, Pastor of 2d Presbyterian Church, Newburyport, is also a member.

* Reported and included in Essex South, of which Mr. Southgate is a member. †Not included in Summary; see Explanations on p. 30.

Association meets on the third Tuesday in February, April, June, August, October, and December.

DAVID T. KIMBALL, Ipswich, Scribe: SAMUEL J. SPALDING, Newburyport, Statistical Scribe.

7. ESSEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Beverly, Washington-street ch.	*Feb.* 8, 1837	Alonzo B. Rich,	Feb. 8, 1846	Dec. 8, 1852	38	121	159	5	32	4	36	2	0	0	2	10	5	160
Danvers, Maple-st. ch.	*Dec.* 5, 1844	James Fletcher,	June 20, 1849	June 20, 1849	36	79	115	8	13	5	18	0	0	0	0	8	2	258
Essex, 1st ch.	*Sep.* 6, 1681	James M Bacon,	Oct. 8, 1846	July 9, 1856	48	112	160	11	38	1	39	0	4	0	4	29	3	201
Gloucester, West,	*Mar.* 23, 1829	*Charles B. Smith,		Stated sup.	17	31	48	4	19	0	19	1	0	0	1	6	0	40
" Harbor,	*Nov.* 17, 1829	Lysander Dickerman,	Apr. 29, 1858	Apr. 29, 1858	21	74	95	16	9	1	10	2	2	0	4	2	2	229
" Lanesville,	*Aug.* 25, 1830	Francis N. Peloubet,	Dec. 2, 1857	Dec. 2, 1857	14	34	48	4	8	2	10	1	5	0	6	5	4	212
Hamilton,	*Oct.* 12, 1714	John H. Mordough,	May 18, 1836	June 12, 1850	66	97	163	15	38	2	40	8	2	0	10	18	4	120
Ipswich, 1st ch.	*In* 1634	‡†David T. Kimball, ‡ Robert Southgate,	Oct. 8, 1806	Oct. 8, 1806	57	169	226	22	5	0	5	4	3	1	8	2	6	218
" South ch.	*Aug.* 22, 1747	Daniel Fitz,	Jan. 4. 1832	July 24, 1851	46	146	192	24	2	2	4	3	1	0	4	2	2	175
Lynnfield Centre,	*Aug.* 12, 1720	None,	June 28, 1826	June 28, 1826	14	42	56	18	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	60
‡Manchester, Orthodox cong. ch.	*Nov.* 7, 1716	George E. Freeman,	Oct. 5, 1858	Oct. 5, 1858	65	168	233	29	0	1	1	4	1	0	5	0	0	158
" The Orthodox ch.	*Nov.* 7, 1716	Francis V. Tenney,	Aug. 7, 1845	Aug. 18, 1858	63	178	241	34	6	4	10	5	1	0	6	3	0	318
Middleton,	*Oct.* 22, 1729	Amos H. Johnson,	Jan. 1, 1857	Jan. 1, 1857	47	108	155	32	14	1	15	2	9	0	11	4	2	156
Rockport, 1st ch.	*Feb.* 13, 1755	Wakefield Gale,	May 17, 1826	May 4, 1836	110	297	307	24	30	2	32	6	4	1	11	7	18	260
" 2d ch.	*Mar.* 15, 1855	David Bremner,	May 2, 1855	May 2, 1855	28	30	58	0	14	0	14	0	0	0	0	7	2	130
Salem, 3d ch.	*Apr.* 1735	‡ B. Emerson, D. D. ‡ Israel E Dwinell,	Apr. 24, 1805	Apr 24, 1805 Nov. 22, 1849	82	262	344	48	33	6	39	9	6	0	15	14	13	410
" Howard-st. ch.	*Dec.* 29, 1803	*Charles C. Beaman,	June 20, 1839	Stated sup.	19	87	106	10	19	3	22	0	5	0	5	5	2	170
" Crombie-st. ch.	*May* 3, 1832	None,			50	210	260	17	25	5	30	3	7	0	10	10	11	229
South Danvers, 1st ch.	*Sep.* 23, 1713	James O. Murray,	Oct. 26, 1854	Oct. 26, 1854	77	197	274	11	43	8	51	3	3	1	7	19	5	396
Total, 18		16 Pastors, 2 s. s , 2 vacant chhs.			735	2272	3007	332	348	49	397	54	53	3	110	151	81	3763

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Non-Resident:* Ephraim W. Allen, pastor, South Berwick, Me., ord. May 17, 1843; James M. Hoppin, ord. March 27, 1850, now in Europe. *Enumerated elsewhere:* Reuben Emerson, senior pastor of church in South Reading; Levi Wheaton, stated supply, North Falmouth.

*Not members of the Association. †Member of Essex North Association.

‡The reports of the two ministers in Manchester cover, substantially, the same ground; neither the Statistical Scribe nor Statistical Secretary having any right to alter the returns, or to decide contested matters, both reports are inserted, and a sufficient number substracted from the "total" to make the summary correct.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September, and November.

A. B. RICH, Beverly, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

8. FRANKLIN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.			Admitted 1858.				Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Ashfield, 1st,	*Feb.* 22, 1763	Willard Brigham,	May 24, 1843	Mar. 12, 1856	36	82	118	16	7	2	9	4	3	0	7	0	0	119
" 2d,	*June* 13, 1855	Lyman Warner,	Oct. 28, 1857	Oct. 28, 1857	22	46	68	2	6	4	10	1	1	0	2	4	0	90
Bernardston,	*Jan.* 13, 1824	None,			18	32	50	8	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	62
Buckland,	*Oct* 8, 1785	None,			68	110	178	15	6	9	15	4	6	2	12	3	4	150
Charlemont, 1st ch.	*June* 6, 1788	Matthew Kingman,	June 26, 1845	June 6, 1854	39	57	96	12	15	5	20	1	3	0	4	8	3	110
" East,	*Aug* 6, 1845	Aaron Foster,	Oct. 19, 1825	Feb. 13, 1850	30	62	92	14	25	1	26	3	2	0	5	12	0	128
Coleraine,	*Dec.* 9, 1819	None,			15	42	57	9	14	1	15	2	0	0	2	12	0	65
Conway,	*July* 14, 1768	George M. Adams,	Sep. 18, 1851	Sep. 18, 1851	115	226	341	40	39	8	47	5	14	2	21	17	4	226
Deerfield, Orthodox c.	*June* 2, 1835	Rob't. Crawford, D. D.	Aug. 20, 1840	Jan. 13, 1858	28	60	88	6	13	5	18	0	4	0	4	6	0	66
" South, 1st c.	*June* 20, 1818	Perkins K. Clark,	Aug. 26, 1846	June 28, 1859	44	91	135	13	3	7	10	5	9	0	14	1	3	150
" Monument ch.	*Jan.* 25, 1848	David A. Strong,	Mar. 21, 1849	Mar. 21, 1849	40	72	112	12	2	2	4	1	2	0	3	1	0	90
Erving, Ev. Cong. ch.	*Sep.* 19, 1832	None,			17	20	37	14	3	6	9	0	3	1	4	1	0	65
Gill,	1793	*Abijah Stowell,	Sep. 18, 1844	Stated sup.	10	43	53	3	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	75
Greenfield, 1st ch.	*Mar.* 28, 1754	A Chandler, D. D.	Feb. 7, 1810	Oct. 25, 1832	29	61	90	0	40	0	40	1	0	0	1	20	14	90
" 2d cong. ch.	*Jan.* 15, 1817	P. C. Headley,	Feb. 9, 1849	May 7, 1857	75	159	234	4	43	18	61	2	5	0	7	10	26	200
Hawley, East,	*Sep.* 16, 1778	Henry Seymour,	Mar. 1, 1843	Oct. 3, 1849	39	61	100	8	24	1	25	1	3	0	4	7	1	100
" West,	*Aug.* 24, 1825	*J. B Baldwin,		Stated sup.	19	38	57	6	11	4	15	1	0	0	1	2	3	60
Heath,	*Apr.* 15, 1785	None,			18	28	46	10	2	0	2	3	11	0	14	0	1	50
Montague, 1st cong. c.	*Nov.* 22, 1752	None,			50	105	155	18	0	8	8	3	2	0	5	0	2	170
Northfield, Trin. ch.	*Nov.* 30, 1825	*Willard Jones,	July 4, 1839	Stated sup	21	51	72	12	4	7	11	2	1	0	3	3	0	70
Orange,	*Sep.* 23, 1846	Edwin Dimock,	Apr. 14, 1858	Apr. 14, 1858	56	109	165	17	47	3	50	0	9	0	9	28	9	212
Shelburne, 1st ch.	*In* 1770	Richard S. Billings,	June 6, 1855	June 6, 1855	82	91	173	4	84	2	86	2	1	0	3	28	0	225
" Falls,	*Mar* 6, 1850	Wilbur F. Loomis,	Apr. 15, 1856	Apr 15, 1856	53	94	147	7	34	20	54	3	2	0	5	20	5	150
Shutesbury,	*Oct.* 27, 1742	*Anson Hubbard,	June,	1822 Stated sup	13	37	50	1	8	0	8	0	3	0	3	5	0	45
Sunderland,	*Jan.* 1, 1718	Sereno D. Clark,	June 11, 1840	May 31, 1853	86	127	213	12	2	1	3	3	2	0	5	1	5	175
Warwick,	*June* 9, 1829	Eli Moody,	Aug. 12, 1818	Stated sup.	14	52	66	5	16	1	17	1	1	0	2	6	1	75
Whately, 2d cong. ch.	*Nov.* 10, 1842	Charles Lord,	Oct. 20, 1843	Mar. 20, 1856	33	53	86	10	13	6	19	1	4	1	6	7	3	40
Total. 27		16 Pastors, 5 s. s., 6 vacant chhs.			1070	2009	3079	278	463	121	584	49	95	6	150	203	86	3058

The church in Rowe, virtually extinct, is dropped by direction of the Association.

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Henry M. Bridge. ord. May 16, 1855; Roger C. Hatch, Warwick, ord. Oct. 23, 1818; George L. Hovey, Dist. Sec. of Am. and For. Christian Union, Greenfield, ord. Sept. 6, 1838; William W. Howland, Missionary A. B. C. F. M., (now in Conway,) ord. Oct. 14, 1845; David Peck, pastor. Danbury, Ct., ord. Oct. 13, 1852; Jeremiah Pomeroy, (preaching at Readsboro', Vt.) Charlemont, ord. Oct. 7, 1833; Asa B. Smith. Buckland, ord. Nov. 1, 1837.—7. *Non-Resident:* Harrison G. Park, Westminster, Vt., ord. Dec. 16, 1829; James Tisdale, " West," ord. Sept. 29, 1830; Edward B. Emerson, Conn., ord. (when?) *Enumerated elsewhere:* Brown Emerson, pastor, Westminster, ord. Aug. 3, 1837.

*Not members of the Association.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in February, May, August (usually July by special vote,) and November.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.			Admitted 1858.				Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Chicopee, 1st ch.	*Sep.* 27, 1752	Eli B. Clark,	Oct. 16, 1839	Oct. 16, 1839	36	67	103	8	2	1	3	0	2	0	2	1	5	75
" 2d ch.	*June* 3, 1850	Frederick Alvord,	July 21, 1858	July 21, 1858	45	123	168	64	7	6	13	1	17	0	18	2	2	154
" 3d ch.	*Oct.* 16, 1834	*L. H. Cone,	April 5, 1855	Feb. 19, 1857	51	151	202	55	22	7	29	1	18	2	21	11	15	194
Longmeadow,	*Oct.* 17, 1716	John W. Harding,	Jan. 1, 1850	Jan. 1, 1850	71	143	214	16	16	4	20	6	3	0	9	3	12	100
" East,	*Apr.* 22, 1829	†None,			39	71	110	18	14	1	15	4	1	0	5	12	0	45
Ludlow,	*In* 1789	J. W. Tuck,	Sep. 6, 1843	Sept. 1, 1843	23	88	131	6	20	0	20	6	6	0	12	11	2	212
Monson,	*June* 23, 1762	{ Alfred Ely, D. D. / { T. G. Colton,	Dec. 17, 1806 / Sep. 2, 1849	Dec. 17, 1806 / Mar. 28, 1855	86	160	246	17	26	19	45	3	3	0	6	11	1	200
Palmer, 1st ch.	*In* 1730	None,			18	51	69	25	7	0	7	1	3	0	4	6	3	40
" 2d ch.	*Nov.* 1, 1847	Joseph Vaill, D. D.	Feb. 2, 1814	Dec. 7, 1854	34	77	111	15	34	9	43	3	2	0	5	18	6	110
South Hadley Falls,	*Aug.* 12, 1824	Richard Knight,	May 1837	Sep. 10, 1856	48	120	168	30	47	7	54	2	0	0	2	21	12	175
Springfield, 1st ch.	*In* 1637	{ S. Osgood, D. D. / { Henry M. Parsons,	June 25, 1809 / Nov. 15, 1854	June 25, 1809 / Nov. 15, 1854	85	268	353	46	37	8	45	7	13	0	20	15	12	373
" Olivet,	*Jan.* 8, 1833	George D. F. Folsom,	July 16, 1850	May 23, 1855	58	138	196	23	31	16	47	5	7	0	12	1	0	168
" South,	*Mar.* 26, 1842	S. G. Buckingham,	May 24, 1837	June 16, 1847	115	218	333	41	51	19	70	5	14	0	19	17	9	200
" North,	*Oct.* 28, 1846	James Drummond,	Oct. 12, 1842	Jan. 16, 1858	90	140	230	52	43	18	61	2	11	0	13	28	10	175
" Indian Orchard,	*Mar.* 23, 1848	F. A. Barton,	1839	Stated sup.	25	43	68	10	19	5	24	2	0	0	2	10	2	60
Wilbraham,	*Jan.* 24, 1741	John P. Skeele,	Oct. 9, 1850	Nov. 30, 1858	66	105	171	31	27	6	33	0	11	0	11	12	5	125
" South,	*In* 1785	‡C. B. Kittredge,	Oct. 16, 1833	Stated sup.	19	47	66	14	1	3	4	0	2	0	2	0	0	66
Total, 17		15 Pastors, 2 s. s.,† 2 vacant ch.			929	2010	2939	471	404	129	533	48	113	2	163	189	96	2572

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* None. *Non-Resident:* Wm. S. Blanchard, (where?) ord. (when?); Porter H. Snow, Newspaper Agent, Baltimore, Md., ord. (when?)

*Not a member of the Association. †See Obituaries. ‡Of Monson.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in February, and May, and on the second Tuesday in July, and November.

ELI B. CLARK, Chicopee, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

10. HAMPDEN WEST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Agawam,	Sep 1, 1819	Ralph Perry,	Jan. 3, 1844	Dec. 28, 1847	41	79	120	9	24	6	30	2	4	0	6	11	2	100
" Feeding Hills,	*Nov.* 11, 1762	Moody Harrington,		Stated sup	30	62	92	4	14	4	18	1	2	0	3	3	2	64
Blandford,	1735	Charles J. Hinsdale,	Jan. 15, 1823	Jan. 20, 1836	41	81	122	32	1	2	3	4	4	0	8	1	0	135
Chester,	1765	Hugh Gibson,	May 16, 1820	Stated sup.	37	50	87	10	18	1	19	0	1	0	1	3	7	80
" Factories,	*Nov* 13, 1844	Zolva Whittemore,	Sep. 5, 1821	Stated sup.	9	13	22	4	0	3	3	1	3	0	4	0	0	35
Granville, East,	1747	{ T. M. Cooley, D. D.	Feb. 3, 1796	Feb. 3, 1796														
		{ *Noah Wells,		Stated sup.	27	48	75	6	1	0	1	5	2	0	7	0	0	40
" West,	*Nov.* 19, 1781	Francis Homes,	Oct. 29. 1854	Stated sup.	26	49	75	14	7	5	12	0	2	0	2	5	0	50
Holyoke, 1st ch.	*Dec.* 4, 1799	Simeon Miller,	May 7, 1846	May 7, 1846	31	65	96	14	24	11	35	0	1	0	1	12	1	80
" 2d ch.	*May* 24, 1849	J. B. R. Walker,	Oct. 27, 1847	Nov. 8, 1845	44	121	165	44	68	19	87	0	7	0	7	33	3	200
Huntington, 2d ch.	Aug 26, 1846	Townsend Walker,	Mar. 12, 1844	Dec. 27, 1853	22	45	67	8	9	8	17	1	4	0	5	6	0	110
Montgomery,	June 30, 1797	None,			5	13	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Southwick,	Aug. 17, 1773	Erastus Clapp,	Jan. 17, 1838	Oct. 19, 1858	19	57	76	23	1	1	2	1	2	0	3	0	0	60
Tolland,	1797	C. F. Paige,		Stated sup.	36	67	103	28	6	2	8	0	1	0	1	5	1	80
Westfield, 1st ch.	Aug 27, 1679	E. Davis, D. D.	June 1, 1836	June 1, 1836	91	225	316	20	23	2	25	9	16	0	25	11	3	250
" 2d ch.	May 22, 1856	Joel S. Bingham,	Oct. 20, 1846	June 17, 1857	78	94	172	4	68	19	87	1	5	0	6	37	3	240
West Springfield,	*June* 1698	Theron H. Hawks,	Mar. 7, 1855	Mar. 7, 1855	71	158	229	29	23	5	28	3	11	0	14	11	6	218
" Mettineague,	June 10, 1853	E. J. Alden,	July 21, 1858	July 21, 1858	13	31	44	14	13	1	14	0	1	0	1	7	5	80
Total, 17		11 Pastors, 5 s. s., 1 vacant chh.			621	1258	1879	263	300	89	389	28	66	0	94	145	33	1862

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Francis Norwood, Monson, ord. July 6, 1825.—1. *Non-Resident:* Henry Cooley, stated supply, West Suffield, Ct, ord. Dec. 2, 1846; Calvin Foote, Agent, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., ord. Feb. 2, 1820.

*A licentiate.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in June, September, November, and February.

EMERSON DAVIS, D. D., Westfield, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

11. HAMPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Chesterfield,	*Oct.* 30, 1764	None,			12	36	48	1	8	0	8	3	1	0	4	5	0	90
Cummington, 1st ch.	*July* 7, 1779	None,			22	49	71	20	15	1	16	0	1	0	1	6	0	75
" Village,	*July* 1, 1839	Theodore J. Clark,	Oct. 11, 1842	Oct. 11, 1842	46	61	107	11	28	2	30	2	4	0	6	19	1	100
" West,	Dec. 2, 1840	None,			19	43	62	16	0	0	0	4	2	0	6	0	1	50
Easthampton, 1st ch.	*Nov.* 17, 1785	Aaron M. Colton,	June 10, 1840	Mar. 2, 1853	86	168	254	14	52	1	53	8	14	1	23	28	6	138
" Payson ch.	*Dec.* 29, 1852	Rollin S. Stone,	Apr. 15, 1835	Dec. 30, 1852	69	152	221	18	58	14	72	2	11	0	13	26	7	187
Goshen,	Dec 21, 1780	Thomas H. Rood,	Dec. 20, 1848	Jan. 31, 1855	34	68	102	16	14	2	16	2	5	0	7	10	4	75
Huntington, 1st ch.	*July* 1778	Henry A. Austin,	Nov. 6, 1856	Nov. 6, 1856	48	67	115	15	13	1	14	2	6	0	8	7	4	175
Middlefield,	Nov. 18, 1773	Lewis Bridgman,	Oct 29. 1840	Stated sup.	46	53	99	10	48	6	54	0	3	0	3	10	3	61
Northampton, 1st ch.	*May* 28, 1661	Zachary Eddy,	April 1835	Mar. 3, 1858	200	300	500	19	93	26	119	9	5	0	14	19	21	404
" Edwards ch.	*Jan.* 30, 1833	Gordon Hall,	Oct. 25, 1848	June 2, 1852	113	179	292	30	43	14	57	4	12	1	17	9	11	230
Plainfield,	*Aug.* 31, 1786	*Solomon Clark,	Apr. 12, 1841	Stated sup.	43	95	138	13	21	1	25	6	7	0	13	9	1	235
Southampton,	*June* 8, 1743	None,			147	170	317	45	4	5	9	4	5	0	9	2	4	223
Westhampton,	*Sep.* 1, 1779	None,			103	148	251	13	70	22	92	2	8	0	10	25	19	200
Whately, 1st ch.	*Aug* 21, 1771	C. N. Seymour,	June 26, 1844	Mar. 9, 1853	72	116	188	15	49	7	56	7	1	0	8	27	2	165
Williamsburg,	*July* 3, 1773	Frederic T. Perkins,	Jan. 11, 1843	Feb. 3, 1857	120	179	299	22	70	12	82	6	9	0	15	30	3	225
" Haydenville,	*Mar.* 1, 1851	C. Brewster,	Aug. 23, 1843	Aug. 18, 1858	43	98	141	23	17	5	22	2	8	0	10	10	0	135
Worthington,	*Apr.* 1, 1771	John H. Bisbee,	Feb. 20, 1834	Dec. 19, 1838	81	135	216	25	21	3	24	0	3	0	3	10	1	310
Total, 18		13 Pastors, 1 s. s., 5 vacant chhs.			1304	2117	3421	326	627	122	749	63	105	2	170	252	88	3078

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Erastus Clapp, Easthampton, ord. Jan. 1, 1823; Edward Clark, Chesterfield, June 19, 1839; Solomon Lyman, Easthampton, ord. Jan. 4, 1826; J. C. Thompson, Holyoke, ord. Oct. 28, 1835; Oliver Warner, Secretary of State, Northampton, ord. June 5, 1844; E. B. Wright, Huntington, ord. Dec. 8, 1819.—6.

*A member of Suffolk South Association.

Association meets on the first Monday in February, May, and November.

GORDON HALL, Northampton, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

12. HAMPSHIRE EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Amherst, 1st ch.	*Nov.* 7, 1739	Edward S. Dwight,	Dec. 25, 1844	July 19, 1854	112	234	346	45	25	7	32	1	14	0	15	8	4	200
" 2d ch.	*Nov.* 11, 1782	Chas. L. Woodworth,	Nov. 7, 1849	Nov. 7, 1849	50	143	193	23	49	12	61	5	5	1	11	25	9	200
" South ch.	*Oct.* 14, 1824	None,			19	38	57	0	7	5	12	1	69	0	70	3	0	70
" College ch.	*May* 7, 1826	Wm. A. Stearns, D. D.	Dec 14, 1831	Nov. 21, 1854	78	17	95	8	27	14	41	1	9	0	10	3	1	0
" North ch.	*Nov.* 15, 1826	None,			85	139	224	27	10	1	11	4	6	0	10	4	9	140
Belchertown,	*In* 1773	Henry B. Blake,	Jan. 1, 1845	June 26, 1855	102	265	367	28	14	6	20	7	9	0	16	7	4	325
Enfield,	*In* 1790	Rob't McEwen, D. D.	Oct. 9, 1833	Feb. 16, 1842	135	223	358	62	32	13	45	3	16	0	19	13	7	181
Granby,	*In* 1762	Henry Mills,	Nov. 23, 1854	Nov. 23, 1854	121	173	294	32	47	9	56	3	6	0	9	14	4	300
Greenwich,	*In* 1749	Edward P. Blodgett,	July 5, 1843	July 5, 1843	39	111	150	19	25	1	26	0	3	0	3	15	4	225
Hadley, 1st ch.	*In* 1659	Rowland Ayres,	Jan. 12, 1848	Jan. 12, 1848	90	138	228	38	58	5	63	2	5	0	7	27	18	255
" 2d ch.	*Oct.* 26, 1831	Warren H. Beaman,	Sep. 15, 1841	Sep. 15, 1841	45	90	135	14	25	2	27	2	3	0	5	11	1	136
" Russell ch.	*July* 15, 1841	Franklin Tuxbury,	July 15, 1857	July 15, 1857	35	95	130	2	35	4	39	5	9	0	14	10	15	95
Hatfield,	*In* 1670	John M. Greene,	Oct. 20, 1857	Oct. 20, 1857	108	172	280	16	35	6	41	3	8	0	11	20	4	140
Leverett,	*Oct.* 10, 1784	None,			35	68	103	16	6	1	7	1	2	0	3	3	2	135
Pelham,	*Oct.* 25, 1837	None,			5	22	27	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Prescott,	June 15, 1823	David Bancroft,	Oct. 20, 1838	June 3, 1858	18	30	48	8	12	6	18	0	1	0	1	10	0	60
South Amherst,	*June* 8, 1858	*James L. Merrick,	Apr. 15, 1834	June 8, 1858	19	49	68	2	3	2	5	1	3	0	4	2	2	80
South Hadley, 1st ch.	Before 1733	Hiram Mead,	Sep. 29, 1858	Sep. 29, 1858	94	184	278	54	47	3	50	4	10	0	14	16	10	230
Total, 18		14 Pastors, no s. s., 4 vacant chhs.			1190	2191	3381	411	457	97	554	43	178	1	222	191	94	2822

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* James Bates, Granby, ord. Nov. 14, 1827; Roswell Hawks, Agent, South Hadley, ord. April 20, 1825; Edward Hitchcock, D. D., Prof. Amherst College, ord. June 21, 1821; William Tyler, Pawtucket, ord. Feb. 24, 1819; William S. Tyler, D. D., Prof. Amherst College, not ordained; Aaron Warner, Amherst, ord. Sept. 1, 1824; John Woodbridge, D. D., Hadley, ord. June 20, 1810—7. *Non-Resident:* George E Fisher, pastor, Mason Village, N. H., ord. Feb. 27, 1850; Dana Goodsell, East Haven, Ct., ord. Sept. 27, 1837; John A. Nash, Editor, New York City, ord. Oct. 19, 1836. *Elsewhere enumerated:* David Eastman, Leverett, ord. Feb. 12, 1840; Joseph H. Patrick, stated supply, Wellfleet.

*Not a member of the Association.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in February, May, August, and September.

FRANKLIN TUXBURY, Hadley, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Dover,	*Oct.* 23, 1839	None,			10	19	29	4	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	3	40
Foxboro',	*Nov.* 25, 1779	Noadiah S. Dickinson,	May 27, 1846	May 10, 1858	60	140	200	19	32	21	53	4	3	0	7	17	3	249
Franklin,	*Feb.* 16, 1738	Samuel Hunt,	July 17, 1839	Dec. 4, 1850	42	137	179	15	6	2	8	3	3	0	6	2	4	175
" South,	*Sep.* 13, 1855	None,			8	17	25	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	1	25
Mansfield,	*May* 9, 1838	Jacob Ide. Jr.	Mar. 26, 1856	Mar. 26, 1856	29	67	96	15	23	2	25	2	0	0	2	9	4	114
Medfield,	*Feb.* 6, 1828	Andrew Bigelow,	Aug. 25, 1841	Sep. 12, 1855	28	82	110	4	19	6	25	2	2	0	4	13	1	100
Medway, 1st ch.	Prob. 1714	Jacob Roberts,	July 17, 1839	Oct. 9, 1856	40	95	135	15	15	2	17	3	3	0	6	7	2	175
" 2d ch.	*Oct.* 4, 1750	Jacob Ide, D. D.	Nov. 2, 1814	Nov. 2, 1814	72	154	226	36	58	8	66	4	5	0	9	29	8	180
" Village ch.	*Sep.* 7, 1838	David Sanford,	May 22, 1828	Oct. 3, 1838	60	152	212	35	19	2	21	1	2	0	3	9	4	125
Mendon,	*Aug.* 13, 1828	None,			7	28	35	7	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	20
Milford,	*July* 15, 1741	James T. Woodbury,	Aug. 20, 1832	July 15, 1852	72	144	216	10	17	13	30	7	5	0	12	11	11	350
Walpole,	*Nov* 13, 1826	None,			35	89	124	22	0	3	3	3	2	0	5	0	4	115
Wrentham,	*Apr.* 13, 1692	William L. Ropes,	Sep. 14, 1853	Sep. 14, 1853	51	186	237	55	26	2	28	2	5	0	7	15	5	237
" North,	*July* 18, 1839	Franklin Davis,	Oct. 6, 1847	Stated sup.	11	31	42	5	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	0	4	60
Total, 14		9 Pastors, 1 s. s., 4 vacant chhs.			525	1341	1866	243	216	61	277	35	39	0	74	112	54	1965

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Elijah Demond, Waquoit, ord. March 7, 1821; John Dwight, North Wrentham, ord. April 12, 1837; Sewall Harding, Sec. Cong. Board of Publication, Boston, ord. Jan. 17, 1821; Calvin Hitchcock, D. D., Wrentham, ord. Aug. 15, 1815; Asa Hixon, West Medway, ord Oct. 7, 1829; Caleb Kimball, Medway, ord. 1832; Andrew H. Reed, Mendon, ord. Sept. 23, 1829; Lot B. Sullivan, Wareham, ord. June 14, 1820; Timothy D. P. Stone, Amesbury Mills, ord. March 1, 1843.—9. *Non-Resident:* Daniel J. Poor, Gorham, Me., ord. March 11, 1840; Thomas Williams, Providence, R. I., ord. Jan. 1, 1807.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in January, April, and October, and the third Tuesday in June.

WILLIAM L. ROPES, Wrentham, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

14. MIDDLESEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Ashland,	*Jan.* 1835	None,			47	87	134	21	4	4	8	4	9	0	13	4	1	200
Concord,	*May* 22, 1826	None,			20	111	131	11	11	3	14	1	3	0	4	6	1	100
Framingham,	*Dec.* 8, 1701	Joseph C. Bodwell,	April 3, 1839	June 30, 1852	74	195	269	29	17	14	31	1	4	0	5	4	9	249
" Saxonville,	*May* 26, 1833	Henry Allen,	Sep. 30, 1852	Nov. 6, 1857	41	125	166	40	29	5	34	1	4	0	5	15	3	160
Holliston,	*Nov.* 20, 1728	Joshua T. Tucker,	Nov. 16, 1837	June 6, 1849	141	272	413	36	113	10	123	7	6	0	13	65	9	500
Hopkinton,	*Sep.* 2, 1724	John C. Webster,	Mar. 15, 1837	Dec. 19, 1838	55	118	173	14	14	0	14	3	1	1	5	9	5	150
Lincoln,	*Aug.* 20, 1747	None,			26	57	83	18	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1	86
Marlboro',	*Oct.* 3, 1666	Levi A. Field,	Aug. 31, 1853	Aug. 31, 1853	48	126	174	12	11	7	18	2	5	3	10	4	8	203
Natick,	Feb. 1802	Charles M. Tyler,	June 17, 1857	May 12, 1859	61	157	218	19	21	4	25	2	10	0	12	7	1	350
Sherborn,	*Mar.* 26, 1685	Edmund Dowse,	Oct. 10, 1838	Oct. 10, 1838	58	108	166	20	18	1	19	4	3	0	7	14	3	130
Southboro',	*Feb.* 17, 1831	William J. Breed,	June 10, 1835	June 23, 1858	63	109	172	32	7	9	16	4	5	0	9	3	1	160
Stowe,	*Mar.* 11, 1839	None,			6	20	26	5	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	25
Sudbury,	Aug. 1640	Erastus Dickinson,	Sep. 25, 1835	May 14, 1856	63	137	200	9	32	1	33	5	0	0	5	10	7	203
Wayland,	*May* 21, 1828	None,			46	83	129	37	2	3	5	2	4	0	6	1	2	170
Total, 14		9 Pastors, no s. s., 5 vacant chhs.			749	1705	2454	303	279	61	340	38	55	4	97	142	51	2776

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Birdsey G. Northrop, Agent of Mass. Board of Education, Saxonville, ord. March 10, 1847; Increase N. Tarbox, Sec. of Am. Ed. Soc., Framingham, ord. Nov. 22, 1845; William M. Thayer, Editor, Franklin, ord. June 20, 1849.—3. *Elsewhere enumerated:* Luther H. Angier, South Malden, ord. March 4, 1840—Suffolk North; William C. Jackson, Dunstable, ord. Oct. 14, 1835; Elias Nason, Pastor, Medford, ord. May 5, 1852—Woburn; Charles V. Spear, Principal of Maplewood Institute, Pittsfield.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, April, July and October.

LEVI A. FIELD, Marlboro', Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

15. MIDDLESEX UNION ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Acton,	*Mar.* 13, 1832	Alpha Morton,	Feb. 14, 1844	Stated sup.	86	130	216	50	26	0	26	3	3	0	6	14	11	190
Ashby,	*June* 12, 1776	James M. Bell,	July 21, 1858	July 21, 1858	58	112	170	31	28	5	33	2	6	0	8	14	1	175
Assabet, in Stowe,	*Sep.* 23, 1852	None,			12	32	44	4	17	0	17	2	0	0	2	11	0	205
Boxboro',	*Apr.* 29, 1784	None,			28	39	67	6	21	2	23	3	1	0	4	11	0	50
Dunstable,	*May* 12, 1767	*William C. Jackson,	Oct. 14, 1835	Stated sup.	28	55	83	15	3	0	3	2	3	0	5	1	0	100
Fitchburg, Calv. ch.	*Jan.* 27, 1768	Alfred Emerson,	Oct. 15, 1845	June 2, 1858	111	228	339	49	13	17	30	5	14	0	19	3	5	385
" Trinit. ch.	1843	†Marcus Ames,	June 28, 1854	Stated sup.	35	62	97	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	203
Groton,	*July* 12, 1664	Edwin A. Bulkley,	Oct. 11, 1847	Sep 18, 1850	54	162	216	17	23	0	23	5	4	0	9	13	0	200
Harvard,	*May* 17, 1821	John Dodge,	June 21, 1842	May 10, 1854	37	104	141	18	6	2	8	2	2	0	4	5	2	125
Lancaster,	*May* 22, 1839	None.			26	63	89	7	0	2	2	0	5	0	5	0	3	118
Leominster,	*Dec.* 25, 1822	Joseph W. Backus,	Sep. 29, 1852	Jan. 14, 1858	73	165	238	43	12	7	19	2	8	0	10	4	1	250
Littleton,	*May* 14, 1840	Elihu Loomis,	Oct. 22, 1851	Stated sup.	17	37	54	7	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	65
Lunenburg,	*June* 10, 1835	William A. Mandell,	April 1842	Jan. 2, 1856	32	73	105	14	6	0	6	3	1	0	4	2	2	120
Pepperell,	*June* 29, 1747	Edward P. Smith,	June 11, 1856	June 11, 1856	102	189	291	52	22	6	28	7	8	0	15	14	0	275
Shirley,	*May* 12, 1828	None,			18	48	66	14	11	1	12	1	2	0	3	11	0	60
Townsend,	*Oct.* 16, 1734	Elisha W. Cook,	Nov. 18, 1846	Apr. 28, 1858	74	163	237	15	18	7	25	4	4	0	8	6	3	210
Westford,	*Dec.* 25, 1823	‡John Whitney,	Oct. 15, 1834	Stated sup.	49	122	171	42	26	12	38	1	2	0	3	18	0	170
Total, 17		8 Pastors, 5 s. s., 4 vacant chh.			840	1784	2624	395	232	62	294	42	63	0	105	127	29	2901

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Daniel Butler, Sec. Mass. Bible Society, Groton, ord. Oct. 31, 1838; John E. Edwards, Lancaster, ord. April 6, 1840; Charles Hammond, Prin. of Lawrence Academy. Groton. ord. Oct. 9, 1855; Edwin R. Hodgman, Townsend, ord. May 17, 1849; Leonard Luce, Westford, ord. April 8, 1829; David Perry, Teacher of Private School, Pepperell, ord May 1828; George Trask, Anti-Tobacconist, Fitchburg, ord. Sept. 15, 1830.—7. *Non-Resident:* Bronson B. Beardsley, Bridgeport, Ct., ord. Oct. 8, 1850; Franklin B. Doe, Pastor, Appleton, Wis., ord. Oct. 19, 1854; James Means, Teacher, West Lebanon, N. H., ord. Jan. 9, 1840.

*Member of Middlesex South Association. †Member of Worcester North Association. ‡Member of Suffolk North Association.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September, and November.

EDWIN A. BULKLEY, Groton, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Abington, 1st ch.	Prob. 1712	Frederick R. Abbe,	Sep. 3, 1857	Sep 3, 1857	61	115	176	9	11	6	17	6	2	0	8	10	1	215
" 2d ch.	*Aug.* 19, 1807	Henry L. Edwards,	July 14, 1857	Stated sup	98	138	236	10	3	3	6	7	0	0	7	1	6	220
" 3d ch.	*Aug.* 27, 1813	Horace D. Walker,	Feb. 15, 1844	Feb 15, 1844	72	125	197	6	21	2	23	4	2	0	6	16	18	250
" North,	Oct. 13, 1839	Isaac C. White,	Oct. 23, 1850	Oct. 23, 1850	43	87	130	10	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	200
Berkley, Trin. cong. c.	*Sep.* 20, 1848	*James A. Roberts,	Oct. 20, 1824	Stated sup.	15	30	45	3	15	0	15	0	0	0	0	9	0	70
Braintree, 1st ch.	*Sep.* 10, 1807	R. S. Storrs, D. D.	July 3, 1811	July 3, 1811	48	140	188	17	13	1	14	1	0	0	1	2	5	145
" South,	*Nov.* 15, 1829	Dennis Powers,	Dec. 5, 1838	Dec. 4, 1856	27	64	91	4	0	0	0	2	3	1	6	0	4	200
Braintree and Weymouth, Union ch.	*Aug.* 14, 1811	Jonas Perkins,	June 14, 1815	June 14, 1815	52	117	169	11	15	7	22	6	1	0	7	5	1	200
Cohasset, 2d cong. ch.	*Nov.* 24, 1824	Frederick A. Reed,	Mar. 9, 1848	Mar. 9, 1848	19	81	100	9	12	1	13	4	2	0	6	5	0	153
Dorchester, 2d ch.	*Jan.* 1, 1808	James H. Means,	July 13, 1848	July 13, 1848	77	231	308	45	21	6	27	6	12	0	18	9	7	250
" Village ch.	*Mar.* 11, 1829	Theodore T. Munger,	Feb. 6, 1856	Feb. 6, 1856	40	95	135	24	2	0	2	3	1	0	4	1	0	125
" †Port Norfolk,	*May* 11, 1859	None,			11	18	29	0										
Easton,	Unknown.	{ L. Sheldon, D. D.	Oct. 24, 1810	Oct. 24, 1810														
		{ Lyman White,	Oct. 23, 1849	Oct. 24, 1855	33	81	114	16	4	2	6	1	0	0	1	4	2	265
E. & W. Bridgewater,	*June* 30, 1826	Philo B. Wilcox,	May 14, 1851	May 14, 1851	53	67	120	16	16	0	16	0	5	1	6	9	2	75
Hanson,	*Aug.* 31, 1748	A. B. Foster,	June 16, 1844	Stated sup.	11	50	61	1	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	105
Hingham,	Dec. 21, 1847	Eben. Porter Dyer,	Sep. 25, 1839	Jan. 4, 1849	10	27	37	7	7	2	9	0	0	0	0	5	1	92
Milton, 1st ch.	*Apr.* 21, 1678	Albert K. Teele,	July 20, 1844	Dec. 18, 1850	36	87	123	16	16	5	21	4	0	0	4	9	4	70
" 2d Ev. cong. c.	Nov. 9, 1843	Edwin Leonard,	Mar. 25, 1852	Mar. 25, 1852	8	26	34	5	3	2	5	1	1	0	2	3	0	100
Needham,	*May* 6, 1857	None,			14	22	36	2	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	90
North Bridgewater, 1st	*Oct.* 15, 1740	None,			50	89	139	9	3	2	5	3	0	0	3	1	1	200
" South cong. ch.	*Jan.* 3, 1837	Charles W. Wood,	Oct. 30, 1839	Feb. 3, 1858	46	78	124	4	0	6	6	0	4	0	4	0	2	170
" Porter Ev. ch.	*Mar.* 6, 1850	Charles L. Mills,	April 1837	Aug. 11, 1852	72	139	211	4	19	3	22	2	4	0	6	13	3	250
Quincy, Ev. cong. ch.	Aug. 16, 1832	None,			22	55	77	4	6	0	6	3	1	0	4	1	1	112
Randolph, 1st ch.	*May* 28, 1731	None,			40	81	121	10	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	2	0	155
" East, 2d ch.	*Dec.* 15, 1818	None,			25	58	83	5	30	0	30	1	7	0	8	19	9	129
" Winthrop c.	*Dec.* 30, 1856	Ezekiel Russell, D. D.	June 22, 1836	Feb. 3, 1857	39	69	108	1	28	6	34	1	0	0	1	11	10	165
Scituate, N'th, Tr. c. c.	Jan. 18, 1635	None,			27	50	77	3	4	2	6	1	0	0	1	4	0	108
Sharon,	*Jan.* 25, 1741	L. R. Phillips,	July 29, 1841	July 29, 1841	38	89	127	2	32	7	39	1	12	0	13	18	3	140
Stoughton, 1st ch.	*Aug.* 10, 1744	Thomas Wilson,	Mar. 1, 1848	Mar. 13, 1856	33	63	96	20	3	1	4	0	1	0	1	1	2	120
Weymouth, North, 1st	July 1623	Joshua Emery,	May 13, 1835	Jan. 25, 1838	46	86	132	3	4	0	4	4	0	1	5	2	0	100
" South, 2d	*Sep.* 18, 1723	James P. Terry,	Dec. 4, 1839	July 6, 1848	33	75	108	5	1	0	1	3	0	0	3	0	2	150
" Union ch.	Nov. 1, 1842	Stephen H Hayes,	Aug. 29, 1844	Apr. 8, 1858	21	61	82	2	4	3	7	4	0	0	4	4	0	160
" North, Pilgrim c.	*Mar.* 11, 1852	Sam'l L. Rockwood,	Mar. 11, 1840	Mar. 2, 1858	15	45	60	2	1	2	3	3	0	0	3	0	2	133
Total, 33		24 Pastors, 3 s. s., 7 vacant ch.			1229	2630	3859	288	299	69	368	74	61	4	139	164	86	4917

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Willard M. Harding, Quincy, ord. May 20, 1840; William Leonard, Scituate, ord. July 7, 1844; Willard Peirce, North Abington, ord. Nov. 17, 1824.—3. *Elsewhere enumerated:* Paul Couch, North Cambridge, ord. March 1827.

*Member of Old Colony Association.

†We reckon this in the Summary, because it takes the place of a now disbanded church, but we include only members of the old.

Association meets on the last Tuesday in January, April, July, and October.

THEODORE T. MUNGER, Milton P. O., Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

17. OLD COLONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Dartmouth, South,	*Apr.* 1807	Martin S. Howard,	Nov. 20, 1856	May 19, 1859	23	59	82	20	10	1	11	1	3	0	4	6	1	85
Edgartown,	1641	None,			25	61	86	4	3	0	3	5	1	0	6	2	1	100
Fairhaven,	*July* 23, 1794	John Willard,	Jan. 25, 1855	Jan. 25, 1855	76	170	246	31	37	7	44	6	10	0	16	9	17	326
Marion,	*Oct.* 13, 1703	Leander Cobb,	Sep. 27, 1827	Dec. 1, 1841	31	60	91	5	37	4	41	4	0	0	4	21	6	70
Mattapoisett,	*July* 28, 1736	Wm. L. Parsons,	Aug 26, 1841	Mar. 10, 1855	68	114	182	6	87	5	92	2	5	0	7	44	2	173
Middleboro', Central,	*Mar.* 25, 1847	Isaiah C. Thacher,	Dec. 25, 1844	Apr. 16, 1856	60	118	178	6	11	11	22	1	1	0	2	8	7	225
Nantucket,	Perhaps 1698	None,			73	274	347	74	38	3	41	5	0	0	5	25	3	254
New Bedford, 1st ch.	1696	Asahel Cobb,	Dec. 1825	Nov. 11, 1857	15	44	59	18	1	4	5	0	0	0	0	1	0	50
" North ch.	*Oct.* 15, 1807	Henry W. Parker,	May 9, 1848	Aug. 8, 1856	131	277	408	80	99	9	108	1	6	0	7	50	14	325
" Trinit. ch.	*Nov.* 15, 1831	Wheelock Craig,	Aug. 3, 1819	Dec. 4, 1850	65	128	193	18	64	12	76	1	3	0	4	25	12	255
" Pacific ch	*Oct.* 1844	Timothy Stowe,	Apr. 11, 1854	Apr. 11, 1854	37	94	131	7	32	10	42	3	9	0	12	22	4	340
Rochester, Centre,	*Oct* 13, 1703	None,			22	78	100	20	5	1	6	1	4	0	5	3	1	57
" North,	1758	None,			8	12	20	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	30
Wareham,	*Dec.* 25, 1739	Homer Barrows,	June 1, 1836	Oct. 27, 1852	39	100	139	10	11	3	14	5	3	0	8	2	2	125
Total, 14		10 Pastors, no s. s., 4 vacant chhs.			673	1589	2262	301	435	70	505	37	45	0	82	218	70	2415

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* D. C. Burt, Berkley, ord. (when?); Nathaniel Cobb, Evangelist, Kingston, ord. Oct 31, 1827; Samuel Nott, Jr., Wareham, ord. (when?).—3. *Non-Resident:* Azariah Eldridge, pastor of Fort Street Presbyterian Church, Detroit, ord. Sept. 15, 1847; William Gould, Iowa, ord. (when?); Melancthon G. Wheeler, (where?) ord. (when?) *Elsewhere enumerated:* Eli W. Harrington, North Beverly, ord. April 26, 1834; James A. Roberts, Stated supply, Trin. Cong. ch, Berkley, ord. Oct. 1824.

Association meets on the last Tuesday in April, July, and October.

HENRY W. PARKER, New Bedford, Scribe; TIMOTHY STOWE, New Bedford, Statistical Scribe.

18. PLYMOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.			Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Bridgewater, Trin. ch.	Oct. 17, 1821	John M. Prince,	Oct. 3, 1847	Feb. 23, 1859	26	59	85	15	7	4	11	0	7	0	7	3	0	80
" Scotland ch.	*July* 4, 1836	James L. Seagrave,	Dec. 3, 1851	Stated sup.	9	26	35	0	11	2	13	0	0	1	1	4	0	75
Carver,	*May* 13, 1733	Wm. C. Whitcomb,	May 1, 1850	Stated sup.	26	54	80	10	3	0	3	2	2	0	4	3	1	80
Dighton,	1710	Enoch Sanford,	Oct. 2, 1823	May 18, 1856	19	35	54	7	6	1	7	1	0	0	1	4	0	75
E. Bridgewater, Tr. c.	Nov. 14, 1849	Baalis Sanford,	Oct. 4, 1827	Apr. 3, 1850	24	33	57	2	20	0	20	0	4	0	4	13	0	71
Halifax,	*Oct.* 16, 1734	Timothy G. Brainerd,	Nov. 5, 1840	June 27, 1855	20	33	53	4	6	0	6	1	0	0	1	4	5	180
Hanover, 1st ch.	*Dec.* 1728	Joseph Freeman,	Mar. 10, 1844	Apr. 18, 1855	13	44	57	10	3	0	3	1	1	0	2	0	1	80
" 2d ch.	Apr. 12, 1854	None,			17	34	51	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	45
Kingston,	*Mar.* 19, 1828	Byron Bosworth,	Nov. 5, 1857	Stated sup	22	67	89	13	10	0	10	2	1	0	3	9	0	70
Marshfield, 1st ch.	1632	Ebenezer Alden, Jr.	Nov. 5, 1843	Oct. 30, 1850	20	35	55	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	130
" East, 2d Trin. ch.	July 4, 1835	None,			21	32	53	4	0	0	0	1	2	1	4	0	0	94
Middleboro', 1st ch.	*Dec.* 26, 1694	I. W. Putnam, D. D.	Mar. 15, 1815	Oct. 28, 1835	57	123	180	32	18	0	18	1	1	0	2	17	0	170
" North, 1st ch.	1748	Elbridge G. Little,	Oct. 12, 1848	Stated sup	40	87	127	1	32	4	36	3	5	0	8	31	2	153
Plymouth, 2d ch.	*Nov.* 8, 1738	Daniel H. Babcock,	Nov. 7, 1839	June 16, 1853	60	86	146	20	4	0	4	1	1	0	2	3	1	117
" 3d ch.	*Oct.* 1, 1801	Nath'l. B Blanchard,	July 15, 1856	Stated sup.	54	158	212	8	16	1	17	2	4	0	6	9	13	200
" Chiltonville,	June 18, 1818	Ezekiel Dow,	Feb. 12, 1855	Stated sup.	25	53	78	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	40
Plympton,	*Oct.* 27, 1698	Josiah Ballard,	Aug. 5, 1835	Stated sup.	32	90	122	22	2	0	2	2	0	0	2	2	0	160
Total, 17		8 Pastors, 7 s. s. 2 vacant chhs.			485	1049	1531	158	138	12	150	19	28	2	49	102	25	1820

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Timothy Davis, Kingston, ord. Nov. 16, 1808; Ebenezer Gay, Bridgewater, ord. Jan. 7, 1818; Stetson Raymond, Bridgewater, ord. April 9, 1817; David Brigham, Bridgewater, ord. Dec. 29, 1819—4.

Association meets on the third Tuesday in February, May, August, and November.

EBENEZER ALDEN, Jr., Marshfield, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

19. SALEM ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab. Sch.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Beverly, Dane-st. ch.	*Nov.* 9, 1802	Joseph Abbott,	Oct. 23, 1834	Oct. 23, 1834	84	158	242	5	47	0	47	4	3	0	7	21	3	215
" 4th ch.	1834	*Eli W. Harrington,	Apr. 26, 1834	Stated sup	5	30	35	0	11	0	11	0	0	0	0	3	0	48
Boxford, 1st ch.	*In* 1702	Wm. S. Coggin,	May 9, 1838	May 9, 1838	40	83	123	10	57	2	59	2	3	0	5	7	9	214
Danvers, 1st ch.	Nov. 16, 1689	M. P. Braman, D. D.	Apr. 12, 1826	Apr. 12, 1826	58	118	176	3	17	4	21	5	0	0	5	4	10	280
Lynn, 1st ch.	1632	Parsons Cooke, D. D.	June 20, 1826	May 4, 1836	75	211	286	15	5	11	16	1	4	0	5	4	4	350
" Central ch.	*Dec.* 11, 1850	Jotham B. Sewall,	Feb. 28, 1855	Feb. 28, 1855	22	60	82	7	6	8	14	1	3	0	4	4	7	213
Lynnfield, 2d ch.	*Jan.* 18, 1854	Allen Gannett,	Jan. 20, 1836	Stated sup	2	10	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Marblehead,	*Aug.* 13, 1684	Benjamin R. Allen,	Sep 11, 1830	Nov. 8, 1851	42	296	338	50	30	3	33	8	51	0	59	7	17	250
" 3d cong. ch.	*Sep.* 28, 1858	Nelson Scott,	Sep. 24, 1846	Stated sup.	20	47	67	0	10	58	68	1	0	0	1	0	0	52
Salem, Tabernacle ch.	*Aug.* 6, 1629	S. M. Worcester, D.D.	Jan. 4, 1832	Dec. 3, 1834	77	321	398	20	15	4	19	6	10	0	16	6	7	321
Saugus, 1st ch.	*In* 1732	Levi Brigham,	Mar. 15, 1837	May 7, 1851	17	37	54	8	11	0	11	0	0	2	2	0	1	130
Swampscott, 1st ch.	*July* 15, 1846	Jonas B. Clark,	Nov. 5, 1842	July 15, 1846	8	51	59	2	3	2	5	0	2	0	2	3	8	230
Topsfield,	1683	Anson McLoud,	Dec. 8, 1841	Dec 8, 1841	52	117	169	12	12	0	12	5	5	0	10	8	2	190
Wenham,	Oct. 8, 1644	John S. Sewall,	Apr 20, 1859	Apr 20, 1859	37	75	112	18	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	212
Total, 14		11 Pastors, 3 s. s., no vacant chhs.			533	1614	2153	150	224	92	316	34	81	2	117	67	68	2705

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident*, Joseph Tracy, Sec. Mass. Colonization Society, Beverly, ord. June 26, 1821.—1.

*Member of Old Colony Association.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in February, April, June, August, October, and December.

JONAS B. CLARK, Swampscott, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

20. SUFFOLK NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Boston, Old South ch.	May 12–16 1669	G. W. Blagden, D. D.		Sep. 28, 1836														
" Bowdoin-st. c.	*July* 18, 1825	*Jacob M. Manning,	Jan. 1854	Mar. 11, 1857	88	320	408		35	7	42	6	8	0	14	15		100
" Central ch.	*May* 11, 1835	†Edwin Johnson,	June 29, 1859	June 29, 1859	112	281	393	30	6	3	9	0	25	0	25	2	6	333
Cambridge, 1st ch.	*Feb.* 1, 1636	None,			137	293	430		22	2	24	3	16	0	19	5	3	451
" Port, 1st ch.	*Sep.* 20, 1827	John A. Albro, D. D.	Nov. 21, 1827	Apr. 15, 1835	104	238	342		26	5	31	6	5	0	11	8	17	200
" " 2d ch	*Mar.* 10, 1842	None,			110	253	363	87	12	14	26	1	9	2	12	3	14	345
" North, Holmes c.	*Sep.* 23, 1857	George E. Allen,	May 20, 1858	May 20, 1858	22	36	58	8	5	14	19	1	10	0	11	1	4	82
Charlestown, 1st ch.	*Nov.* 2, 1632	‡Paul Couch,	Mar 1827	Stated sup.	41	51	92	2	42	8	50	1	0	0	1	22	10	95
" Winthrop ch	*Jan.* 9, 1833	James B. Miles,	Jan. 2, 1855	Jan. 2, 1855	93	216	309	51	36	10	46	3	9	1	13	16	4	435
Chelsea, Winnis't ch.	*Sep.* 20, 1841	None,			110	262	372	86	32	10	42	3	31	0	34	13	1	593
" Broadway ch.	Apr. 2, 1851	A. H. Plumb,	Nov. 10, 1858	Nov. 10, 1858	108	212	320	53	28	13	41	7	14	0	21	17	14	443
" Plymouth ch	*Jan.* 7, 1857	Joseph A. Copp, D. D.		Jan. 7, 1852	68	126	194	2	6	7	13	2	6	0	8	3	2	250
Malden, S., Winthrop c.	Mar. 16, 1848	‖Edwin H. Nevin,	1839	1857	53	79	132	14	44	20	64	2	0	1	3	7	0	359
Needham, West,	*Sep* 6, 1798	None,			18	42	60	1	9	8	17	0	0	0	0	3	1	75
Newton, 1st ch.	*July* 20, 1664	A. R. Baker,	April 1838	Stated sup	53	82	135	25	14	8	22	1	2	0	3	4	0	125
North Chelsea,	*May* 9, 1828	Daniel L. Furber,	Dec. 1, 1847	Dec. 1, 1847	56	108	164	23	22	3	25	4	7	0	11	7	3	175
Reading, Old South,	*Feb.* 21, 1770	None,			5	14	19	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	65
Somerville,	*May* 3, 1855	William Barrows,	Sep. 4, 1845	Feb. 20, 1856	58	130	188	11	10	2	12	2	3	0	5	8	8	225
Waltham, Tr cong. ch.	*Sep* 28, 1820	None,			39	71	110	13	7	8	15	0	4	0	4	4	0	350
		R. B. Thurston,	Nov. 11, 1846	Jan. 13, 1859	17	80	97	10	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	80
Total, 19		12 Pastors, 2 s. s., 6 vacant chhs.			1292	2894	4186	421	357	144	501	43	149	4	196	139	87	4781

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Rufus Anderson, D. D., Sec. A. B. C. F. M., Boston, ord. May 10, 1826; George C. Beckwith, D. D., Sec. Peace Society, Boston, ord. July 1827; Asa Bullard, Sec. Mass. S. S. Society, Boston, ord. Jan 13, 1832; Wm. Bushnell, M. D., Physician, Boston, ord Aug 8, 1832; Dorus Clark, Waltham, ord Feb 23, 1823; Wm. M. Cornell, M. D., Physician, Boston, ord. Jan. 19, 1830; Isaac P. Langworthy, Sec. Am. Cong Union, Chelsea, ord. Nov. 10, 1841; Edwards A. Park, D. D., Prof. of Theology, Andover, ord. Dec. 31, 1831; Swan L. Pomeroy, Sec. A. B. C. F. M., Boston, ord. Aug. 31, 1825; Francis G Pratt, Middleboro', ord Oct. 19, 1849; George Richards, Boston, ord. Oct. 8, 1845; Otis Rockwood, Cambridgeport, ord. July 1, 1818.—12. *Non-Resident:* Seth Bliss, Brookiyn, N. Y., ord. June 1, 1825; Edward W. Gilman, pastor, Bangor, Me., ord. Dec. 4, 1843; Alexander W. McClure, New York, ord. (when?); J. H. Northrup, Millville, N. J., ord. (when?); Jared B. Waterbury, D. D., (where?); ord (when?) *Elsewhere enumerated:* E. P. Marvin, pastor, and Elias Nason, pastor, in Woburn Association; John Whitney, Westford.

*Member of Suffolk South Association. †Not a member of the Association. ‡Member of Norfolk Association. ‖Member of Mendon Association.

Association meets on the fourth Tuesday in February, April, September, October, and December, and on the third Tuesday in June.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.			Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Boston, Park-st ch.	*Feb.* 27, 1809	Andrew L. Stone,	Sep. 3, 1841	Jan. 25, 1849	295	594	889	120	97	36	133	7	37	0	44	36	20	475
" Essex-st. Un. ch.	*June* 10, 1822	Neh. Adams, D. D.	Dec. 17, 1829	Mar. 26, 1834	148	364	512	50	41	9	50	3	24	0	27	13	17	204
" Salem-st. ch.	*Sep.* 2, 1827	George W. Field,	Nov. 15, 1853	Oct. 15, 1856	171	310	511	200	15	6	21	1	16	0	17	4	10	410
" Pine-st. ch.	*Sep.* 2, 1827	Henry M. Dexter,	Nov 6, 1841	Apr. 18, 1849	96	242	338	44	37	41	78	4	12	0	16	12	3	1016
" Mariners' ch.	*Jan.* 20, 1830	Elijah Kellogg,	June, 1844	Act. pastor	49	30	79	2	7	1	8	0	0	0	0	1	2	103
" Mt. Vernon c.	*June* 1, 1842	Edward N. Kirk, D. D.	Oct. 23, 1828	June 1, 1842	249	446	695	175	75	32	107	4	40	1	45	29	14	386
" Shawmut ch.	*Nov.* 20, 1845	None,			88	180	268		23	23	46	4	10	0	14			333
" South, Phillips c.	*Dec.* 10, 1823	None,			54	118	172	52	9	14	23	4	9	0	13	3	1	325
" " Ch of the Unity,	*Oct.* 14, 1857	Charles S. Porter,	Aug. 1, 1832	Stated sup.	38	76	114	2	20	4	24	3	3	0	6	4	11	325
" East, Maverick c.	*May* 31, 1836	*Thomas N. Haskell,	Feb. 7, 1855	June 24, 1858	115	271	386		24	6	30	4	17	0	21	16	14	613
Brighton, Evang. ch.	Sep. 13, 1827	None,			33	92	125	38	0	1	1	1	4	0	5	0	2	145
Brookline, Harvard c.	*Aug.* 26, 1844	None,			45	92	137		18	16	34	2	5	0	7			175
Cambridge, East,	*Sep.* 8, 1842	Richard G. Greene,	June 25, 1856	Mar. 31, 1858	40	54	94	30	15	6	21	1	12	0	13	3	7	159
Canton,	*July* 3, 1828	None,			10	23	33	10	8	2	10	0	0	0	0	5	0	60
Dedham, South,	*June* 23, 1736	Moses M. Colburn,	June 12, 1851	Oct. 28 1852	25	62	87	12	6	2	8	2	2	0	4	4	3	200
Needham, Grantville,	*Feb* 21, 1848	Edward S. Atwood,	Oct. 23, 1856	Oct 23, 1856	27	45	72	4	15	4	19	1	2	0	3	5	1	79
Newton, West, 2d ch.	Oct. 21, 1781	George B. Little,	Oct. 11, 1849	Nov. 12, 1857	48	79	127	20	11	10	21	3	5	0	8	5	4	170
" Eliot ch.	July 1, 1845	Joshua W. Wellman,	June 18, 1851	June 11, 1856	68	153	221	15	30	21	51	1	6	1	8	8	11	215
" Auburndale,	*Nov* 14, 1850	Edward W. Clark,	Jan. 1, 1850	July 1, 1857	36	53	89	21	11	10	21	1	2	0	3	4	1	120
Roxbury, Eliot ch.	Sep 18, 1844	Aug. C. Thompson,	July 27, 1842	July 27, 1842	120	51	371	58	46	30	76	8	21	2	31	13	13	600
" Vine-st ch.	*Apr.* 9, 1857	John O. Means,	Dec 3, 1851	June 3, 1857	35	47	82	0	22	8	30	2	0	0	2	6	9	179
Watertown, Phillips c.	*Apr.* 17, 1855	Stephen R. Dennen,	July 11, 1855	July 11, 1855	26	65	91	8	20	14	34	2	1	0	3	8	1	100
W. Cambridge, Ev. c.	*Dec.* 14, 1842	Daniel R. Cady,	Oct. 27, 1845	Feb. 14, 1856	39	75	114	18	12	8	20	1	8	0	9	4	4	132
W. Roxbury, S. Ev. c.	*June* 11, 1835	Thomas Laurie,	Mar. 6, 1842	May 7, 1851	30	62	92	14	4	3	7	2	11	0	13	0	9	140
" Jamaica Plain,—Mather ch.	*Feb* 15, 1853	Alonzo H. Quint,	Dec. 27, 1853	Dec. 27, 1853	42	68	110	20	25	14	39	1	9	0	10	10	5	157
Total, 25		18 Pastors, 2 s. s., 5 vacant ch.			1927	3882	5809	913	591	321	912	62	256	4	322	193	162	6881

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident*: John W. Alvord, (of Newton,) Sec. of Am. Tract Society, Boston, ord. Sept. 16, 1836; Joseph S Clark, D. D., (of West Newton,) Cor. Sec. of Cong. Library Association, Boston, ord. Dec. 21, 1831; Henry B. Hooker, D. D., Sec. Mass. Home Miss. Society, Boston, ord. Sept. 1825; Austin Phelps, D. D, Prof. in Theol. Sem., Andover, ord. March 30, 1842; Thomas O. Rice, Brighton, ord. Jan. 1, 1845; Samuel H. Riddel, Boston, ord. June 27, 1827; Selah B. Treat, Sec. A. B. C. F. M., Boston, ord. March 24, 1836; Jonathan E. Woodbridge, (where?) ord (when?).—8. *Non-Resident:* Lyman Beecher, D. D., Brooklyn, N. Y., ord. (when?); Charles Jones, pastor, Battle Creek, Michigan, ord. (when?) *Elsewhere enumerated:* Solomon Clark; Jacob M. Manning, Associate pastor, Old South ch., Boston.

*Not a member of the Association.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September, and November.

JOHN O. MEANS, Roxbury, Scribe; ALONZO H. QUINT, Jamaica Plain, Statistical Scribe.

22. TAUNTON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab. Sch.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Attleboro', 1st ch. W'st	1710	*Benjamin C. Chase,	Jan. 8, 1849	Stated sup.	29	85	114	11	10	2	12	1	3	0	4	9	5	110
" 2d ch.	*Nov.* 30, 1748	*Jonathan Crane,	Oct. 20, 1836	Stated sup.	66	169	235	28	4	5	9	5	6	0	11	0	2	400
Berkley,	*Nov.* 2, 1737	†Charles D. Lothrop,	Dec 14, 1851	Stated sup.	52	93	145	22	23	8	31	3	2	0	5	5	0	120
Fall River, 1st ch.	Jan. 9, 1816	*J L Diman,	Dec. 9, 1856	Dec. 9, 1856	54	158	212	62	32	1	33	2	6	2	10	16	0	161
" Central,	Nov. 16, 1842	Eli Thurston,	Jan. 8, 1838	Mar. 21, 1849	94	159	253	20	37	8	45	4	4	2	10	17	13	270
Freetown, Assonet,	*Apr.* 24, 1807	Abel G. Duncan,	May 13, 1829	Stated sup.	7	17	24	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	30
Lakeville,	*Oct.* 6, 1728	Augustine Root,	May 20, 1858	May 20, 1858			176		11	0	11	1	1	0	2	11	0	
Norton,	*Apr.* 3, 1832	Franklin Holmes,	Sep. 15, 1852	Sep. 15, 1852	40	81	121	20	6	1	7	0	18	0	18	5	0	125
Pawtucket,	Apr. 27, 1829	Constantine Blodgett,	Oct. 19, 1830	July 27, 1836	83	262	345	65	52	11	63	2	7	0	9	32	10	290
Raynham,	Oct. 19, 1731	John Haskell,	Dec. 25, 1850	Jan. 5, 1859	67	134	201	23	53	6	59	1	0	0	1	53	0	272
Rehoboth,	*Nov.* 29, 1721	*Walter P. Doe,	Nov. 10, 1847	Stated sup.	42	79	121	0	25	0	25	5	0	0	5	25	0	120
Seekonk,	1643	James O. Barney,	Feb. 4, 1824	Stated sup.	37	73	110	14	7	2	9	0	1	0	1	7	3	150
Taunton, 1st ch.	*May* 1637	Alvan Cobb,	Apr 19, 1815	Apr. 19, 1815	36	78	114	21	12	0	12	0	0	0	0	8	4	112
" Trin. cong. ch.	*Aug.* 17, 1821	Erastus Maltby,	Sep. 29, 1824	Jan. 18, 1826	112	299	411	40	36	10	46	5	8	0	13	23	5	355
" Winslow ch.	*Jan.* 12, 1837	Mortimer Blake,	Dec. 4, 1839	Dec. 4, 1855	70	124	194	33	21	4	25	2	5	0	7	11	2	201
" East ch.	*June* 16, 1853	James R. Cushing,	Aug. 12, 1829	Stated sup.	5	15	20	1	4	2	6	0	0	0	0	4	0	95
Westport,	*May* 31, 1858	*Isaac Dunham,	Mar 29, 1835	Stated sup.	5	11	16		3	2	5	0	0	0	0	2	1	70
Total, 17		9 Pastors, 8 s. s., no vacant chh.			799	1837	2812	363	336	62	398	32	62	4	98	228	45	2881

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Robert Carver, Taunton, ord. Nov. 21, 1838; S. B. Morley, Williamstown, ord. (when ?); John Sandford, Taunton, ord. April 24, 1816; Samuel Woodbury, Freetown, ord. (when ?).—4. *Elsewhere enumerated:* Thomas E. Bliss, Stated supply, Blackstone.

*Not members of the Association. † Of Attleboro'.

Association meets on the last Tuesday in March, July, and November.]

FRANKLIN HOLMES, Norton, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

23. VINEYARD SOUND ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Barnstable, West,	*In* 1616	Hiram Carlton,	Jan. 4, 1838	Mar. 20, 1853	33	46	79	4	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	65
" Cotuit,	Aug. 17, 1670	None,			5	23	28	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
" Centreville,	*May* 23, 1810	Ebenezer Burgess,	Mar. 16, 1839	Stated sup.	29	63	92	12	11	2	13	4	0	0	4	8	0	75
Chilmark,	1699—1700	Thomas W. Duncan,	June 13, 1821	Stated sup.	2	14	16	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	25
Falmouth, 1st ch.	*In* 1708	William Bates,	Nov. 5, 1845	June 15, 1858	55	145	200	32	2	2	4	8	3	0	11	0	2	150
" East,	*June* 20, 1821	George Ford,	Oct 7, 1846	May 21, 1856	19	27	46	7	3	0	3	2	0	0	2	1	2	50
" North,	*Aug.* 15, 1833	*Levi Wheaton,	Jan. 23, 1850	Stated sup.	36	37	73	16	0	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	1	40
" East, 2d ch.	*Jan.* 3, 1849	Elijah Demond,	May 7, 1821	Stated sup	13	36	49	4	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	1	0	78
Sandwich,	1649	† William Carruthers,	June 16, 1858	June 16, 1858	41	87	128		8	3	11	2	4	0	6	4	2	90
" Monument,	*July* 9, 1833	None,			10	22	32	4	2	0	2	1	1	0	2	2	0	40
Tisbury, 1st ch.	About 1700	None,			14	25	39	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1	0
" Holmes Hole,	May 9, 1844	None,			3	9	12	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total, 12		4 Pastors, 4 s. s. 4 vacant chhs.			260	534	794	92	30	9	39	21	12	0	33	18	8	613

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Elisha Bacon, Teacher, Centreville, ordained Oct. 19, 1827.—1.

*Member of Essex South Association. †Not a member of the Association.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in May, and October.

GEORGE FORD, East Falmouth, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

24. WOBURN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Bedford,	*July* 15, 1730	Henry J. Patrick,	Nov. 16, 1854	Nov. 16, 1854	48	135	183	16	13	3	16	1	2	2	5	7	6	150
Billerica,	*Apr.* 30, 1829	Jesse G. D. Stearns,	May 10, 1843	May 10, 1843	17	56	73	21	6	3	9	4	2	0	6	1	1	50
Burlington,	*Oct.* 29, 1735	None,			13	30	43	14	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	2	71
Carlisle,	*Feb.* 28, 1781	None,			12	48	60	7	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	3	70
Malden, 1st Tr. c. ch.	*In* 1649	Charles E. Reed,	April 7, 1858	Apr. 7, 1858	52	112	164	40	18	11	29	2	8	0	10	8	2	180
Medford, 1st Tr. c. ch.	*Nov* 1832	‡Elihu P. Marvin,	Jan. 23, 1845	Feb. 25, 1852	40	119	159	45	16	5	21	2	13	1	16	4	2	130
" Mystic ch.	*Oct.* 2, 1823	*Elias Nason,	May 5, 1852	Nov. 10, 1858	31	91	122	17	12	2	14	1	6	0	7	5	5	175
Melrose,	*July* 6, 1847	None,			30	42	72	6	13	6	19	0	3	0	3	4	5	110
North Reading,	*July* 11, 1848	Thomas N. Jones,	June 24, 1848	Oct. 19, 1853	16	41	57	5	1	5	6	2	3	0	5	1	2	75
Reading, Bethesda ch.	June 29, 1720	William H. Willcox,	Mar. 5, 1851	July 2, 1857	67	101	168	12	6	6	12	6	5	0	11	5	3	230
South Reading,	*Apr.* 17, 1849	†Reuben Emerson,	Feb. 19, 1800	Oct. 17, 1801														
	Nov. 5, 1645	Joseph B. Johnson,	Jan. 4, 1855	Aug. 12, 1857	78	114	192	24	30	4	34	3	2	0	5	20	1	260
Stoneham,	*July* 2, 1729	Joseph E Swallow,	July 18, 1848	Stated sup.	35	86	121	18	13	3	16	2	9	0	11	7	0	124
Wilmington,	*Oct.* 24, 1733	Samuel H. Tolman,	Aug. 14, 1856	Aug. 14, 1856	29	76	105	15	11	7	18	0	4	0	4	8	11	122
Winchester,	*Nov.* 19, 1840	Reuben T. Robinson,	Oct. 27, 1852	Oct. 27, 1852	132	205	337	18	106	27	133	7	8	2	17	47	13	345
Woburn, 1st ch.	*Aug.* 14, 1642	Daniel March,	Apr. 29, 1845	Oct. 1, 1856	198	351	549	45	25	35	60	13	12	1	26	11	6	400
" North,	*Nov.* 22, 1849	None,			9	27	36	6	0	0	0	0	8	0	8	0	0	58
Total, 16		12 Pastors, 1 s. s., 4 vacant chhs.			807	1634	2441	309	272	117	389	45	85	6	136	129	62	2550

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Dana Cloyes, South Reading, ord. July 4, 1821; George Gannett, Teacher, Boston, ord. June 14, 1849; John Lawrence, Carlisle, ord. May 5, 1853; Abel Patten, Burlington, ord. Feb. 7, 1832; H. K. W. Perkins, Medford, ord. (when?); Alexander J. Sessions Salem, ord. June 6, 1838; Samuel Sewall, Burlington, ord. April 13, 1814.—7. *Non-Resident:* Charles P. Grosvenor, pastor, Canterbury, Ct., ord. July 16, 1834; Joseph D. Hull, Teacher, Hartford, Ct., ord. Jan. 31, 1844. *Enumerated elsewhere*: William Barrows, Pastor, Reading—Suffolk North; William C. Whitcomb, Stated supply, Carver—Plymouth.

*Member of Suffolk North Association. †Member of Essex South Association. ‡Also a member of Suffolk North.

Association meets on the third Tuesday of every month, at 10 A. M.

HENRY J. PATRICK, Bedford, Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

25. WORCESTER CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Auburn,	Jan 25, 1776	*Darwin Adams,	July 16, 1828	Stated sup.	50	91	141	31	15	0	15	2	1	0	3	4	2	105
Barre,	Aug. 15, 1827	George Denham,	Nov. 2, 1843	Dec. 3, 1856	49	133	182	48	5	3	8	1	7	2	10	2	3	225
Berlin,	Apr. 7, 1779	Wm A. Houghton,	July 5, 1843	Oct 26, 1853	28	83	111	17	3	2	5	0	4	0	4	2	6	145
Boylston,	Oct. 6, 1743	*William Murdock,		Stated sup.	48	90	138	26	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	6	165
Clinton,	*Nov* 14, 1844	W. W. Winchester,	Mar. 23, 1854	Mar. 23, 1854	54	134	188	23	13	15	28	1	9	0	10	2	2	246
Holden,	*Dec.* 28, 1742	Wm. P. Paine, D. D.,	Oct. 24, 1833	Oct. 24, 1853	102	240	342	48	26	1	27	3	18	0	21	16	1	250
Leicester,	*Prob before* *Mar.* 30, 1721	John Nelson, D. D. Amos H Coolidge,	Mar. 4, 1812 Apr 21, 1857	Mar. 4, 1812 Apr. 21, 1857	93	160	253	36	32	6	38	4	5	0	9	15	5	260
Northboro',	*Apr.* 12, 1832	S. S. Ashley,	Aug. 1, 1849	June 16, 1852	29	64	93	31	4	6	10	1	8	0	9	2	0	142
Oxford,	*Jan.* 18, 1721	H. Bardwell, D. D.	June 21, 1815	June 8, 1836	93	184	277	40	67	10	77	2	9	0	11	35	4	190
Paxton,	*Sep.* 3, 1767	William Phipps,	Nov. 11, 1840	Nov. 11, 1840	33	74	107	8	18	4	22	2	6	0	8	7	2	185
Princeton,	*Aug* 13, 1764	William T. Briggs,	Nov. 4, 1846	Feb 13, 1856	59	107	166	14	16	4	20	3	0	0	3	9	8	180
Rutland,	*Nov.* 1, 1727	Clarendon Waite.	Feb. 25, 1858	Feb. 25, 1858	66	139	205	39	6	5	11	5	7	0	12	3	0	210
Shrewsbury,	*Dec.* 4, 1723	*Wm. A. McGinley,	June 2, 1859	June 2, 1859	71	140	214	46	2	2	4	4	3	0	7	2	1	220
Sterling,	*June* 22, 1852	None,			77	37	54	8	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
West Boylston,	*Sep.* 15, 1796	None,			82	174	256	40	3	1	4	3	13	3	19	0	0	225
Worcester, 1st par.	Prob. 1716	Horace James,	Nov. 1, 1843	Feb. 3, 1853	180	391	571	93	93	50	143	5	13	0	18	5	35	590
" Calvinist,	*Aug.* 17, 1820	Seth Sweetser, D. D.	Nov. 23, 1836	Dec. 19, 1838	106	249	355	50	25	23	48	2	20	0	22	8	5	300
" Union,	*Feb.* 3, 1836	Ebenezer Cutler,	Mar. 6, 1850	Sep 6, 1855	191	346	537	50	28	36	64	2	6	1	9	11	6	520
" Salem-st.	*June* 14, 1848	Merrill Richardson,	Oct. 28, 1841	Jan. 27, 1858	101	183	284	42	22	29	51	2	27	1	30	10	1	516
Total, 19		16 Pastors, 2 s. s., 2 vacant chhs.			1455	3019	4474	690	380	199	579	45	158	7	210	133	87	4084

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Joseph W. Cross, West Boylston, ord. Oct. 1, 1834; Preston Cummings, Leicester, ord. Aug. 23, 1825; L. Ives Hoadley, Auburn, ord. Oct. 15, 1823; Rodney A. Miller, Worcester, ord. June 7, 1827; William Miller, Sterling, ord. Oct. 1845; Miner G. Pratt, Agent Am. Col. Soc., Andover, ord. Oct. 22, 1828; William H. Sanford, Worcester, ord. Oct. 17, 1832; William T. Sleeper, Chaplain of State Reform School, Westboro', ord. June 29, 1854; N. W. Williams, Shrewsbury, ord. Feb. 28, 1849; Isaac R. Worcester, Dist. Sec. of A. B. C. F. M., Auburndale, ord. (when?)—10. *Non-Resident:* George Bushnell, pastor, Waterbury, Ct., ord. Dec. 13, 1848; Charles F. Morse, Missionary of A. B. C. F. M., Bulgaria, Adrianople, ord. Aug. 13, 1856.

*Not members of the Association.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September, and November.

A. H. COOLIDGE, Leicester, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

26. WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab. Sch.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exe	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Ashburnham,	*Apr.* 23, 1760	Thomas Boutelle,	May 21, 1834	Stated sup.	75	109	184	27	8	4	12	3	1	0	4	3	0	144
" North,	*Feb.* 21, 1843	*Asa Barnes,	Methodist.	Stated sup	12	12	24	18	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	0	40
Athol,	*Aug* 29, 1750	John F. Norton,	Oct. 23, 1844	Mar. 17, 1852	69	148	217	16	35	13	48	4	3	0	7	22	2	250
Gardner, 1st ch.	*Feb.* 1, 1786	John C. Paine,	June 6, 1838	Jan. 12, 1848	40	80	120	3	9	1	10	2	2	0	4	3	2	200
" Evan. ch.	*Aug.* 11, 1830	J. Warren Healy,	Jan. 1, 1857	Dec. 3, 1857	72	131	203	35	34	22	56	1	2	0	3	22	0	275
Hubbardston,	*Feb.* 14, 1770	Cyrus W. Allen,	Oct. 6, 1833	Dec. 29, 1852	38	110	148	30	1	5	6	5	4	0	9	1	2	130
New Salem,	*Aug.* 15, 1845	Erastus Curtiss,	Oct. 22, 1833	Stated sup.	10	29	39	10	2	0	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	40
Petersham,	*June* 25, 1823	Charles Kendall,	Jan. 24, 1844	Stated sup.	35	93	128	17	8	2	10	5	2	0	7	5	9	160
Phillipston,	*Nov.* 16, 1785	Samuel W. Barnum,	Jan. 25, 1853	Jan. 1, 1856	59	122	181	35	16	3	19	4	6	3	13	6	1	175
Royalston, 1st ch.	*Oct.* 13, 1766	Ebenezer W. Bullard,	Aug. 8, 1838	Sep. 2, 1852	45	91	136	12	13	3	16	4	7	0	11	6	2	236
" 2d ch.	*Feb.* 22, 1837	Edwin Seabury,	June 18, 1840	June 23, 1858	41	79	120	25	0	2	2	6	16	0	22	0	0	80
Templeton,	*Apr.* 11, 1832	Lewis Sabin, D. D.	June 1, 1836	Sep. 21, 1837	44	101	145	21	20	4	24	4	2	1	7	8	8	165
Wendell,	*Nov.* 29, 1774	Abraham Jenkins,	Feb. 16, 1848	Stated sup.	24	46	70	26	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	45
Westminster,	*Oct.* 20, 1744	Brown Emerson,	Aug. 3, 1837	June 9, 1859	70	157	227	15	4	6	10	5	14	1	20	2	1	170
Winchendon, 1st ch.	*Dec.* 15, 1762	Benjamin F. Clarke,	Feb. 4, 1824	Oct. 24, 1855	22	27	49	20	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	0	40
" North,	*Dec.* 7, 1843	Abijah P. Marvin,	Jan. 10, 1844	Jan. 10, 1844	40	103	143	16	9	7	16	6	5	0	11	3	2	165
Total, 16		11 Pastors, 5 s s., no vacant chhs.			696	1438	2134	326	160	72	232	53	70	5	128	82	31	2315

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Marcus Ames, Chelsea, ord. June 28, 1854; Josiah D. Crosby, Ashburnham, ord. Oct. 4, 1837: Ebenezer Perkins, Royalston, ord. Feb. 17, 1819.—3. *Elsewhere enumerated:* Frederick A. Fiske, Marshfield: Elbridge G. Little, Stated supply, North Middleboro'.

*Not a member of the Association.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in January, fourth Tuesday in April, second Tuesday in July, and first Tuesday in October.

JOHN F. NORTON, Athol, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Blackstone,	*Apr.* 15, 1841	†Thomas E. Bliss,	June 2, 1852	Stated sup.	23	46	69	25	10	6	16	0	5	0	5	5	1	100
Douglas, 1st ch.	*Nov.* 11, 1747	Gilbert B. Richardson,	June 30, 1857	June 30, 1857	12	36	48	16	0	0	0	1	8	2	11	0	0	60
" East,	*June* 12, 1834	Joshua L. Maynard,	Jan. 14, 1841	July 7, 1852	68	142	210	15	49	12	61	2	0	0	2	22	6	300
Grafton,	*Dec.* 28, 1731	Thomas C. Biscoe,	July 18, 1838	July 18, 1838	108	189	297	74	8	3	11	5	13	1	19	1	5	260
Millbury, 1st ch.	*Oct.* 28, 1713	Edmund Y. Garrette,	Apr 12, 1854	Sep. 30, 1857	46	115	161	12	28	14	42	3	5	1	9	13	4	185
" 2d ch.	*Aug.* 23, 1827	Lewis Jessup,	Nov. 19, 1851	Apr 24, 1856	84	139	223	65	21	3	24	4	8	0	12	13	0	154
Northbridge, 1st ch.	*June* 6, 1782	George B. Safford,	Sep. 2, 1858	Stated sup.	27	63	90	17	6	0	6	1	3	1	5	4	1	128
" Whitinsville,	*July* 31, 1834	Lewis F. Clark,	June 1, 1842	June 1, 1842	71	126	197	21	49	11	60	5	4	0	9	25	6	240
Sutton,	*Autumn* 1720	George Lyman,	Nov 12, 1851	Nov. 12, 1851	47	119	166	33	14	1	15	9	2	0	11	12	2	150
Upton,	*In* 1735	Andrew J Willard,	Apr. 30, 1857	Apr. 30, 1857	78	185	263	38	24	2	26	3	2	0	5	12	2	430
Uxbridge,	*Jan.* 6, 1731	Jacob J. Abbott,	Aug. 27, 1845	Apr. 3, 1850	35	117	152	25	14	7	21	1	9	0	10	9	0	236
Webster,	*June* 13, 1838	‡Thomas Morong,		Stated sup	52	95	147	22	37	6	43	2	12	0	14	22	1	131
Westboro',	*Oct.* 28, 1724	Luther H. Sheldon,	Aug. 1, 1844	Mar. 20, 1856	111	237	348	57	6	13	19	6	15	1	22	2	5	370
Total, 13		10 Pastors, 3 s. s , no vacant chhs.			762	1609	2371	420	266	78	344	42	86	6	134	140	33	2744

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Rodney G. Dennis, Grafton, ord. (when?); David Holman, Post Master, Douglas, ord Oct 19, 1808; Sidney Holman, Teacher, Holyoke, ord. Jan. 16, 1833.—3. *Non-Resident:* John Orcutt, Agent of Colonization Society, Hartford, Ct., ord. Aug. 4, 1835.

*Formerly HARMONY. The name was changed in 1859. †Member of Taunton Association. ‡Not a member of the Association.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in January, April, July, and October.

JOSHUA L. MAYNARD, East Douglas, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

28. UNASSOCIATED.*

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.			Admitted 1858.			Removed 1858.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Boston, South —																		
Payson ch.	Aug. 16, 1845	None,					45†											0
Dedham, 1st ch.	Nov. 8, 1638	Eben Burgess, D. D.	Mar. 14, 1821	Mar. 14, 1821	59	180	239		11	11	22	1	5	0	6	2	1	150
Malden, South,—																		
Chapel ch.	Dec. 4, 1858	Luther H. Angier,	Mar. 4, 1840	Stated sup.			8‡											100
Total, 3		1 Pastor, 1 s. s, 1 vacant ch.			59	189	292		11	11	22	1	5	0	6	2	1	250

MINISTERS NOT MEMBERS OF ASSOCIATIONS ‖ J. Aiken, Charlestown, ord. Aug. 30, 1843; Luther Bailey, East Medway, ord. Nov. 20, 1816; William Allen, D. D., Northampton, ord. (when?); Jeremiah Blake, physician and preacher, Dracut, ord. Nov 1, 1833; Zeras Bliss, Amherst, ord. Aug. 27, 1838; Samuel Bradford, Montague, ord. (when?); Joab Brace, D. D, Pittsfield, ord. Jan. 16, 1805; Sylvester F. Bucklin, Marlboro', ord. Nov. 2, 1808; Swift Byington, Boston, ord. Nov. 17, 1852; D. N. Coburn, Monson, ord. (when?); A. C. Denison, teacher, Medford, ord. March 4, 1851; L. Root Eastman, Berkley, ord. (when?); Ralph Emerson, D. D., Professor Emeritus, Newburyport, ord. June 1816; Isaac Esty, Amherst, ord. Jan. 24, 1829; Luther Farnham, Agent of Southern Aid Society, Boston, ord (when?); Joseph B. Felt, LL. D, Boston, ord. Dec. 19, 1821; Horatio Flagg, Coleraine, ord. Jan. 24, 1828; William C. Fowler, author, Amherst, ord. Aug. 31, 1825; Alfred Goldsmith, Groton, (Stated supply at Peterboro', N. H.,) ord (when?); Alfred Greenwood, Natick, ord. May 18, 1836; William Harlow, Wrentham, ord. Oct. 28, 1828; William Jenks, D. D., Boston, ord. (when?); Francis Jordan, Chaplain in County House, and County Missionary, Springfield, ord. May 10, 1833; Henry Loomis, Jr., Globe Village, Southbridge, pastor of a Union church, ord. (when?); Cyrus T Mills, Ware, ord. Feb. 2, 1848; David M. Mitchell, City Missionary, Roxbury, ord. June 19, 1816; Charles W. Munroe, East Cambridge, ord. Dec. 26, 1849; Erasmus D. Moore, Boston, ord.(when?); Martin Moore, publisher of Boston Recorder, Boston, ord. Feb. 16, 1814; E. D. Murphy, Chaplain Monson, ord. (when?); David T. Packard, North Bridgewater, ord. (when?); Giles Pease, physician, Boston, ord. (when?); Joseph Peckham, Kingston, ord. Nov. 30, 1842; Samuel H. Peckham, now or recently of Leominster, ord. Sept. 14, 1825; Asa Rand, Ashburnham, ord. Jan. 18, 1809; Calvin E. Stowe, D. D., Professor in Andover Theological Seminary, Andover, ord. April 1833; Josiah H. Temple, Framingham, ord. Sept. 30, 1845; James G. Vose, Professor in Amherst College, Amherst, ord. Oct. 20, 1857; Samuel Ware, Sunderland, ord. Oct. 31, 1810; Calvin White, Amherst, ord. Oct. 28, 1829; Luther Wright, East Medway, ord. Nov. 20, 1816.—41.

*This table will be largely increased next year by transferring other churches to this, their proper, place.

†This church has been reduced from 120 members, by removals mainly on account of the sickness and death of its late pastor.

‡23 were added soon after. ‖This list is very imperfect.

SUMMARY.

Associations.	Ministers, Aug. 1. 1859.				Churches, Aug. 1, 1859.				Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1859.				Admissions in 1858.			Removals in 1858.				Bap. in 1858.		Sab.
	Pas.	S. s.	Oth.	Tot.	W. p.	W. s. s.	Vac.	Tot.	Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent.	Prof.	Let.	Total.	Death.	Dis.	Exc.	Total.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
1. Andover,	14	2	7	23	14	2	3	19	1543	2949	4492	1039	595	179	774	39	190	7	236	258	93	4313
2. Berkshire North,	8	4	7	19	8	4	4	16	541	931	2425	616	165	57	222	34	93	0	127	68	53	1395
3. Berkshire South,	13	2	3	18	13	2	2	17	804	1666	2470	436	272	67	339	50	78	2	130	130	40	1826
4. Brewster,	7	6	4	17	7	6	2	15	376	870	1246	136	42	5	47	29	16	2	47	7	16	1518
5. Brookfield,	18	1	0	19	17	1	0	18	872	1937	2809	373	284	73	357	55	104	2	161	163	49	3125
6. Essex North,	21	2	6	29	17	2	3	22	1086	2485	3571	510	628	101	729	57	70	3	130	312	91	3755
7. Essex South,	16	2	0	18	14	2	2	18	735	2272	3007	332	348	49	397	54	53	3	110	151	81	3763
8. Franklin,	16	5	6	27	16	5	6	27	1070	2009	3079	278	463	121	584	49	95	6	150	203	86	3058
9. Hampden East,	15	2	0	17	13	2	2	17	929	2010	2939	471	404	129	533	48	113	2	163	189	96	2572
10. Hampden West,	11	†6	1	18	10	5	1	17	621	1258	1879	263	300	89	389	28	66	0	94	145	33	1862
11. Hampshire,	13	1	6	20	13	1	4	18	1304	2117	3421	326	627	122	749	63	105	2	170	252	38	3078
12. Hampshire East,	14	0	7	21	14	0	4	18	1190	2191	3381	411	457	97	554	43	178	1	222	191	94	2822
13. Mendon,	9	1	9	19	9	1	4	14	525	1341	1866	243	216	61	277	35	39	0	74	112	54	1965
14. Middlesex South,	9	0	4	13	9	0	5	14	749	1705	2454	303	279	61	340	38	55	4	97	142	51	2776
15. Middlesex Union,	8	5	7	20	8	5	4	17	840	1784	2624	395	232	62	294	42	63	0	105	127	29	2901
16. Norfolk.	24	3	3	30	23	3	7	33	1229	2630	3859	288	299	69	368	71	61	4	139	164	86	4917
17. Old Colony,	10	0	3	13	10	0	4	14	673	1589	2262	301	435	70	505	37	45	0	82	218	70	2415
18. Plymouth,	8	7	4	19	8	7	2	17	485	1049	1534	158	138	12	150	19	28	2	49	102	25	1820
19. Salem,	11	3	1	15	11	3	0	14	539	1614	2153	150	224	92	316	31	81	2	117	67	68	2705
20. Suffolk North,	12	2	12	26	11	2	6	19	1292	2894	4186	421	357	144	501	43	149	4	196	139	87	4781
21. Suffolk South,	18	2	8	28	18	2	5	25	1927	3882	5809	913	591	321	912	62	256	4	22	193	162	6881
22. Taunton,	9	8	4	21	9	8	0	17	799	1837	2812	363	336	62	398	32	62	4	98	228	45	2851
23. Vineyard Sound,	14	4	1	9	4	4	4	12	260	534	794	92	30	9	39	21	12	0	33	18	8	613
24. Woburn,	12	1	7	20	11	1	4	16	807	1634	2441	309	272	117	389	45	85	6	136	129	62	2550
25. Worcester Central,	16	2	10	28	15	2	2	19	1155	3019	4474	690	380	199	579	45	158	7	210	133	87	4684
26. Worcester North,	11	5	3	19	11	5	0	16	696	1438	2134	326	160	72	232	53	70	5	128	82	31	2315
27. Worcester South,‡	10	3	3	16	10	3	0	13	762	1609	2371	420	266	78	344	42	86	6	134	140	33	2744
28. Unassociated,	1	1	42	44	1	1	1	3	59	180	292		11	11	22	1	5	0	6	2	1	250
Total,	338	80	‖168	586	325	79	81	485	24,168	51,434	§76,784	¶10,553	8,811	2,529	11,340	1,188	2,410	78	3,676	4,095	1,719	§0,285

*See Explanations on page 30.

†Erroneously printed "5" in table 10. One church in this Association has both pastor and stated supply.

‡Formerly "Harmony."

‖Including only ministers residing in Massachusetts; 40 others are enumerated in the tables.

§The discrepancy between the "total," and the sum of "males" and "females," is explained by the fact that seven churches report the "total" without distinguishing between the "males" and "females."

¶The "Absent" are not *additional* to the "males," "females," and "total," but are included in them. Doubtless an equal number worship with our churches while retaining their membership elsewhere.

REMARKS UPON THE STATISTICS.

ASSOCIATIONS.* There has been no change in the number of Associations during the past year. One Association has changed its name, viz. HARMONY, which, from territorial considerations, has assumed the title of WORCESTER SOUTH.

CHURCHES AND THEIR MEMBERS. Some confusion is apt to arise in regard to our Statistics, arising from the fact that while, for usefulness in reference, the lists of ministers and churches are corrected up to July 1, the membership, additions, etc., come up only to the preceding first of January. Comparisons may be made in both ways.

I. Of the year ending Dec. 31, 1858.

On the first of January 1858, there were 482 churches of our faith and order in this State. Of these, the church in Rowe is regarded as extinct, and one church in number has disappeared by the union of two in Waltham. On the other hand, four churches were organized in 1858, viz. a church in Westport, May 31; a church in South Amherst, June 8; the third church in Marblehead, September 28; and the Chapel church in South Malden, December 4. There is also to be added the 1st church in Fall River, which has concluded to consider itself as in Massachusetts. The number of churches existing Jan. 1, 1859, was 485; and, for the first time, every church of our order in this State, is reported in our tables.

A comparison of the churches existing at the times specified, give the following results:

	Churches.	Members.	Added in previous year.	Removed in previous year.	Sabbath School.
Jan. 1, 1858,	482	69,427	5,020	3,171	73,210
Jan. 1, 1859,	485	76,784	11,340	3,676	80,285

showing an apparent gain of three churches (a real one of *two*, as the Fall River church is merely transferred;) 7,357 members (or, excluding the Fall River church, 7,135;) and of Sabbath schools (by the same process, 6,914;) and the additions in 1858 exceed those of the preceding year, by 6,314.

*It was stated in the issue of last year, that the PLYMOUTH Association, organized Aug. 12, 1761, and united, about 1810, with BAY Association. This is incorrect. Some *members* of Plymouth Association so united, but not the organization itself.

II. Of the year ending June 30, 1859,—that is, from session to session, of the General Association.

July 1, 1858, there were 483 churches (including the one at South Amherst not included last year, because so recently organized.) Three have been formed since, viz. the third church in Marblehead; the Chapel church in South Malden; and the church at Port Norfolk, Dorchester, organized May 11, 1859, including most of the members of the church at Neponset, which had but a nominal existence, and which thereupon disbanded. So that the present number, July 1, 1859, is 485.

Of these churches, 81 (69 last year,) are "vacant"; that is, they are supplied with preaching only from Sabbath to Sabbath; a few of them have no public services whatever. Of the remainder, 79 (63 last year,) have "stated supplies,"—an awkward term used to designate such persons as perform the usual ministerial functions, (sometimes only on the Sabbath,) but without having been actually installed as pastors. And 325 churches are supplied with actual pastors, properly settled; 13 of these churches have, each, two pastors. Many of the churches who have "stated supplies," will, doubtless, never be in a condition to have a settled ministry, unless a decided change shall take place as to the estimation of the pastoral office.

It will be seen by the Index of Towns, that there still appear to be no Orthodox Congregational churches in Bellingham, Bolton, Brewster, Cheshire, Clarksburg, Duxbury, Florida, Hancock, Hull, Leyden, Lexington, Monroe, Mt. Washington, Nahant, New Ashford, Pembroke, Rowe, Russell, Savoy, Somerset, South Scituate, Swanzey, Tyngsboro', Tyringham, Wales, Weston, and Winthrop; there is, however, evangelical preaching in each of these towns, and in most of them are Orthodox Congregationalists forming constituent parts of accessible churches in adjoining towns.

Ministers. The whole number enumerated in last year's issue, as residing in Massachusetts, was 584. The number this year is 586. The slight variation in these numbers is merely accidental; the numbers should doubtless be increased by the names of other ministers not belonging to Associations; few of the latter, however, are in actual service.

As to pastors: At the time of printing a year since, the churches now enumerated had 360 pastors. During the past year, 25 others have been settled. Two have died, and 45 have been dismissed. So that the present number of pastors is 338. While the number of dismissals is about as usual, that of settlements is less than half that of the preceding year. It is not safe to draw inferences from limited data; but in view of the fact that during each of the last four years (the only years in which the facts are obtainable,) the dismissals have exceeded the settlements, and this year so decidedly, it becomes a question worthy of serious thought, whether the pastoral relation is not losing that regard which it once possessed.

The dates of ministerial ordination show that 129 are still ministers of the churches over which they were ordained. Seven pastorates have passed their fiftieth year, viz. those of Timothy M. Cooley, D. D., of Granville, settled

Feb. 3, 1796; Thomas Snell, D. D., of North Brookfield, settled June 27, 1798; Reuben Emerson, of South Reading, settled Oct. 17, 1804; Brown Emerson, D. D., of Salem, settled April 24, 1805; David T. Kimball, of Ipswich, settled Sept. 8, 1806; Alfred Ely, D. D., of Monson, settled Dec. 17, 1806; and Samuel Osgood, D. D., of Springfield, settled June 25, 1809. Each of these has a colleague.

As to ministers not pastors: These are divided, in the tables, into three classes; 1st, those acting as "stated supplies"; 2d, those who reside in Massachusetts without pastoral charge; and 3d, members of Associations in Massachusetts but residing outside of the State. Of the first class there are 80, an increase of 17. Of the second class there are 168; of these, 17 are professors or teachers in various institutions of learning, 2 are financial officers of such institutions, 2 are in the employ of the Massachusetts Board of Education, 19 are connected with the various religious benevolent Societies as Secretaries, Agents, etc., 2 are chaplains in reformatory institutions, 3 are editors or publishers, 2 are physicians, 1 is the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and 1 is an anti-tobacconist. Of the third class, of which there are 40, 18 are in actual missionary or other ministerial service, 3 are Secretaries or Agents of Societies, 1 is an editor, 1 a newspaper agent, and 2 are teachers; of this class, many are enumerated in the tables of other States, and none of them ought to be reckoned here.

Deaths. Eight clergymen have died within our borders the past year, as follows:

Joshua R. Brown died at Longmeadow, Mass., Sept. 7, 1858, aged 46; John Ferguson died at Whately, Oct. 1858, aged 79; James Bradford died at Sheffield, Dec. 16, 1853, aged 49; John E. Farwell died at Fitchburg, Dec. 24, 1858, aged 49; Isaac Braman died at Georgetown, Dec. 26, 1858, aged 88, having been ordained over the church of which he died the pastor, June 7, 1797; Cyrus Mann died at Stoughton, Feb. 9, 1859, aged 73; Joy H. Fairchild died at South Boston, Feb. 21, 1859, aged 68; William D. Flagg died at Boylston, May 12, 1859, aged 30.

Of the above, Joshua R. Brown was pastor at Longmeadow; and Isaac Braman was senior pastor at Georgetown. For obituary notices of the above, the reader is referred to the CONGREGATIONAL QUARTERLY.

CONFERENCES OF CHURCHES. For the sake of information, the following list of Conferences (believed to be entire,) is inserted. These Conferences are composed of Pastors and Delegates from the various churches enumerated, who meet for public religious services and conference, with no ecclesiastical power or purpose:

ANDOVER. Organized at Lowell, June 8, 1859, Rev. J. .P Cleaveland, D. D., being Moderator. Churches,—all the Orthodox Congregational churches enumerated in Andover Association,—19. Time of meeting, the second Wednesday in June. Scribe, Rev. George Moar, Andover.

BARNSTABLE. Organized Oct. 28, 1828. Churches,—all the Orthodox Congregational churches in Barnstable, Dukes, and Nantucket Counties,—

27. Times of meeting, second Tuesday in June, and third Tuesday in December. Scribe, Rev. Franklin Hebard, Harwichport.

Brookfield Associational. Organized June 10, 1838. Churches,—all the Orthodox Congregational churches within the bounds of Brookfield Association,—18. Time of meeting, second Tuesday in June. Scribe, Rev. A. E. P. Perkins, Ware Village.

Essex North. Organized April 30, 1828. Churches,—Amesbury (West, and Mills,) Amesbury, and Salisbury, Boxford (West,) Bradford, Georgetown, Groveland, Haverhill (all five churches,) Ipswich (1st, and Linebrook,) Newbury (1st, and Byfield,) Newburyport (North, 4th, Whitefield, and Bellville,) Rowley, Salisbury (Hill,) and West Newbury (1st and 2d,)—24. Time of meeting, the first week in October. Scribe, Rev. Daniel T. Fiske, Newburyport.

Essex South (Consociation.) Organized May 8, 1827. Churches,—Beverly (Dane st., and Washington st.,) Danvers (Maple st.,) Essex, Gloucester (West, Harbor, and Lanesville,) Hamilton, Ipswich (South,) Lynnfield (Centre,) Manchester, Middleton, Rockport (1st, and 2d,) Salem (3d, and Howard st.,) and South Danvers,—17. Times of meeting, second Wednesdays in June and October. Scribe, Rev. Alonzo B. Rich, Beverly.

Franklin. Organized Oct. 10, 1843. Churches,—Ashfield (1st, and 2d,) Bernardston, Buckland, Charlemont (1st, and East,) Colerain, Conway, Deerfield (1st, Orthodox, and Monument,) Erving, Gill, Greenfield (1st, and 2d,) Hawley (East, and West.) Heath, Montague, Northfield, Orange, Shelburne (1st, and Falls,) Shutesbury, Sunderland, Wendell, and Whately (2d,)—27. Time of meeting, the Tuesday preceding the third Wednesday in September. Scribe, Rev. Wilbur F. Loomis, Shelburne Falls.

Hampden. This Conference has "no constitution, no permanent officers"; "it originated in an invitation of" . . . . "church to the other churches of the county to meet with us to become better acquainted with each others' condition, to make such suggestions to one another as shall be mutually beneficial and to engage together in devotional services." Churches,—covered by invitations and places, are all the churches in Hampden county, with the church at South Hadley Falls,—34. Time of meeting, on or about the first Tuesday in October, as any church, choosing to invite, may decide. Rev. S. G. Buckingham of Springfield, acts as Scribe.

Mendon. Organized April 27, 1858. Churches,—Foxboro', Franklin (1st, and South,) Mansfield, Medfield, Medway (East, Village, and West,) Milford, Walpole, Wrentham (Original, and North,)—12. Times of meeting, semi-annual, "on the Tuesdays and Wednesdays of such weeks in April and October as shall be designated by the Committee of Arrangements." Scribe, Rev. Samuel Hunt, Franklin.

Middlesex North and Vicinity. Organized May 8, 1833. Churches,—all the Orthodox Congregational churches enumerated in Middlesex Union Association,—17. Time of meeting, in connection with the "Religious Charitable Society of Middlesex and Vicinity," the third Tuesday and Wednesday of October. Scribe,

Norfolk. Organized June 14, 1827. Churches,—Abington (1st, 2d, 3d, and 4th,) Braintree (1st, and South,) Braintree and Weymouth (Union,) Bridgewater (Trinitarian,) Canton, Cohasset, Dorchester (2d, and Village,) East and West Bridgewater (Union,) East Bridgewater (Trinitarian,) Easton, Hingham, Jamaica Plain, Milton (1st, and 2d Evangelical,) North Bridgewater (1st, South, and Porter,) Quincy, Randolph (1st, East, and Winthrop,) Sharon, Stoughton, Weymouth (1st, 2d, Union, and Pilgrim,)—32.—Times of meeting, first Tuesday in May, and last Tuesday in September. —Scribe, Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, Jamaica Plain.

Old Colony. Organized Sept. 23, 1856. Churches,—Fairhaven, Marion, Mattapoisett, Middleboro' (1st, and Central,) New Bedford (1st, North, Trinitarian, and Pacific,) Rochester (Centre,) South Dartmouth, and Wareham,—12. Time of meeting, last Tuesdays in April and October.—Clerk, Rev. John Willard, Fairhaven.

Pilgrim. Organized April 27, 1830. Churches,—Carver, Halifax, Hanson, Hanover (1st, and Four Corners,) Kingston, Marshfield (1st, and East,) Plymouth (South, Centre, and Chiltonville,) Plympton, and Scituate.—13. Times of meeting, third Tuesdays in April and October. Scribe, Rev. Timothy G. Brainerd, Halifax.

Salem. This is a Missionary Union, which takes care of its own feeble churches. It holds public sessions, however, as a Conference. Organized June 11, 1851. Churches, all the churches enumerated in Salem Association, and the Old South Church in Reading.—15. Time of meeting, second Wednesday in June. Scribe, Rev. J. B. Sewall, Lynn.

South Middlesex. Organized Aug. 20, 1828. Churches,—Ashland, Concord, Dover, Framingham, Grantville, Holliston, Hopkinton, Lincoln, Marlboro', Natick, Saxonville, Sherborn, Southboro', Sudbury, Wayland, West Needham.—16. Times of meeting, third Tuesdays in April and October. Scribe, Rev. Henry Allen, Saxonville.

Taunton and Vicinity. Organized Nov. 7, 1848. Churches,—Attleboro' (1st, and 2d,) Berkley 1st, and Trin. Cong.,) Dighton, Fall River (Central,) Freetown (Assonet,) Norton, Pawtucket, Raynham, Rehoboth, Seekonk, and Taunton (Trin., Winslow, and East,)—15. Times of meeting, the last Tuesday in September or the first Tuesday in October,—being the first Tuesday after the meeting of the Bristol Co. Agricultural Society. Scribe, Rev. Robert Carver, Taunton.

Woburn. Organized Dec. 5, 1849. Churches,—Bedford, Billerica, Burlington, Carlisle, Medford (Trinitarian, and Mystic,) Melrose, North Reading, Reading (Bethesda,) South Reading, Stoneham, Waltham, West Cambridge, Wilmington, Winchester, Woburn (1st, and North,)—17. Times of meeting, last Tuesdays in April and October. Scribe, Rev. Reuben T. Robinson, Winchester.

Worcester Central. Organized April 28, 1852. All the churches enumerated in Worcester Central Association,—19. Times of meeting, the Wednesday following the third Monday in April and the Wednesday fol-

lowing the third Monday in October. Scribe, Rev. Warren W. Winchester, Clinton.

Worcester North. Organized Nov. 14, 1827. Churches,—all the churches enumerated in Worcester North Association, excepting New Salem, —14. Time of meeting, second Tuesday in June. Clerk, Rev. Samuel W. Barnum, Phillipston.

Worcester South, (formerly Harmony.) Organized (probably) Sept. 25, 1833. Churches,—Blackstone, Douglas (1st, and East,) Grafton, Mendon, Millbury (1st, and 2d,) Northbridge (1st, and Whitinsville,) Sutton, Upton, Uxbridge, and Westboro',—13. Times of meeting, fourth Tuesday in April, and October. Scribe, Rev. Andrew J. Willard, Upton.

The number of members in the churches connected with these Conferences are as follows: Andover, 4,492; Barnstable, 2,473; Brookfield, 2,809; Essex North, 3,797; Essex South, 2,763; Franklin, 3,013; Hampden, 4,976; Harmony, 1,962; Mendon, 1,820; Middlesex North, 2,624; Norfolk, 3,911; Old Colony, 1,989; Pilgrim, 1,134; Salem, 2,341; South Middlesex, 2,714; Taunton, 2,393; Woburn, 2,374; Worcester Central, 4,474; Worcester North, 2,095. Total, 359 churches, 54,154 members.

While a critical eye will doubtless discover some errors in the present issue, a comparison of it with its predecessors will disclose some merit. The dates of church organization and of ordinations have received especial attention. Every church is, for the first time, reported. Changes of form in several sections will materially assist the reader. The Explanations on page 30, will leave little, of that nature, to be desired; while explanatory notes have been added wherever opportunity could be found. The notices regarding the next session, etc., on page 2, furnish a hitherto absent source of information. The indexes have been revised with great care. The tables have been added up, as usual, by a thorough accountant; and the reports are themselves a nearer approach to correctness than ever before. Our statistics have already led to a general change in those of our sister bodies,—a fact which might reconcile us to an *increased* expense, while in fact, the present cost of collecting is absolutely *less* than under the old and shiftless system.

Most of the present value of the Statistics is due to the local Statistical Scribes. The new type of a portion of our pages, together with the improved shape of our tables, are due, respectively, to the publishers whose names now appear on our title page for the thirty-eighth time, and to the careful and intelligent compositor (Mr. J. M. Everett,) who has now put every table in type for twenty-four years.

Suggestions of further improvements, and the correction of errors, will be gladly received by the Statistical Secretary.

A. H. Q.

Jamaica Plain, Mass., Aug. 10, 1859.

NAMES OF CLERGYMEN,

Arranged in alphabetical order, with the Post-Office address of each, and with the number of the Association in which each name occurs in the statistics.

Abbe Frederick R., Abington. 16
Abbott Edward F., Ipswich. 6
Abbot Jacob J., Uxbridge. 27
Abbot Joseph, Beverly. 19
Adams, Darwin, Auburn. 25
Adams George M., Conway. 8
Adams Nehemiah, D. D., Boston. 21
Aiken, J. Charlestown. 28
Albro John A., D. D., Cambridge. 20
Alden Ebenezer, Jr., Marshfield. 18
Alden, E. J., Methuen. 10
Alden Edmund K., Lenox. 3
Allen Benj. R., Marblehead. 19
Allen Cyrus W., Hubbardston. 26
Allen George E., Cambridgeport. 20
Allen Ephraim W., South Berwick, Me. 7
Allen Henry, Wayland. 14
Allen William, D. D., Northampton. 28
Allen William, Dracut. 1
Alvord Frederick, Chicopee. 9
Alvord John W., Boston. 21
Ames Marcus, Chelsea. 15, 26
Anderson Rufus, D. D., Boston. 20
Angier Luther H., South Malden. 14, 28
Ashley S. S., Northboro'. 25
Atwood Edward S., Grantville. 21
Austin Henry A., Huntington. 11
Ayres Rowland, Hadley. 12

Babcock Daniel H., South Plymouth. 18
Backus Joseph W., Leominster. 15
Bacon Elisha, Centerville. 23
Bacon James M., Essex. 7
Badger Milton, D. D., New York. 1
Baker A. R., West Needham. 20
Bailey Luther, East Medway. 28
Baldwin Joseph B., West Hawley. 8
Ballard Addison, Williamstown. 2
Ballard Josiah, Plympton. 18
Bancroft David, Prescott. 12
Bardwell Horatio, D. D., Oxford. 25
Barnes Asa, North Ashburnham. 26
Barney James O., Seekonk. 22
Barnum Samuel W., Phillipston. 26
Barrows Elijah P., Andover. 1
Barrows Homer, Wareham. 17
Barrows William, Reading. 20, 24
Barton F. A., Indian Orchard. 9
Bates James, Granby. 12
Bates William, Falmouth. 23
Beaman Charles C., Salem. 7
Beaman Warren H., North Hadley. 12
Beard Spencer F., Andover. 1
Beardsley Bronson B., Bridgeport, Ct. 15
Beckwith George C., D. D., Boston. 20
Beecher Charles, Georgetown. 6
Beecher Lyman, D. D., Brooklyn, N. Y. 21
Beecher William H., North Brookfield. 5
Bell James M., Ashby. 14
Bigelow Andrew, Medfield. 13
Billings Richard S., Shelburne. 8
Bingham Joel S., Westfield. 10
Bisbee John H., Worthington. 11
Biscoe Thomas C., Grafton. 27
Blagden George W., D. D., Boston. 20
Blake Henry B., Belchertown. 12
Blake Jeremiah, Dracut. 28
Blake Mortimer, Taunton. 22
Blanchard Amos, D. D., Lowell. 1
Blanchard Nathaniel B., Plymouth. 18
Blanchard William S. 9
Bliss Seth, Brooklyn, N. Y. 20
Bliss Zenas, Amherst. 28
Bliss Thomas E., Blackstone. 22, 27
Blodgett Constantine, Pawtucket. 22
Blodgett Edward P., Greenwich. 12
Bodwell Joseph C., Framingham. 14
Bosworth Byron, Kingston. 18
Boutelle Thomas, Ashburnham. 26
Brace Joab, D. D., Pittsfield. 28

Bradford Samuel, Montague. 28
Bragg Jesse K., Brookfield. 5
Brainard Timothy G., Halifax. 18
Braman Milton P., D. D., Danvers Centre. 19
Breed William J., Southboro'. 14
Bremner David, Rockport. 7
Brewer Josiah, Housatonic. 3
Brewster C., Haydenville. 11
Bridge Henry M. 8
Bridgeman Lewis, West Hawley. 11
Briggs William T., Princeton. 25
Brigham David, Bridgewater. 18
Brigham John C., D. D., New York. 3
Brigham Levi, Saugus. 19
Brigham Willard, Ashfield 8
Brooks Charles, Newburyport. 6
Buckingham Samuel G., Springfield. 9
Bucklin Sylvester F., Marlboro'. 28
Bullard Asa, Boston. 20
Bullard Ebenezer W., Royalston. 26
Bulkley Edwin A., Groton. 15
Burgess Ebenezer, D. D., Dedham. 28
Burgess Ebenezer, Centreville. 23
Burnham Abraham, Haverhill. 6
Burt Daniel C., Berkley. 17
Bushnell William, Boston. 20
Butler Daniel, Groton. 15
Byington Swift, Boston. 28

Cady Daniel R., West Cambridge. 21
Campbell Randolph, Newburyport. 6
Carlton Hiram, West Barnstable. 23
Carpenter Eber, Southbridge. 5
Carruthers William, Sandwich. 23
Carver Robert, Raynham. 22
Chandler Azariah, D. D., Greenfield. 8
Chapman Calvin, Chatham. 4
Chase Benjamin C., Attleboro'. 22
Chase Ebenezer, Tisbury. 4
Chute Ariel P., Ware Centre. 5
Clapp Erastus, Southwick. 10
Clapp Erastus, Easthampton. 11
Clapp S. G., Sturbridge. 5
Clark Benjamin F., North Chelmsford. 1
Clark Dorus, Waltham. 20
Clark Edward W., Auburndale. 21
Clark Eli B., Chicopee. 9
Clark Jonas B., Swampscott. 19
Clark Joseph S., D. D., Boston. 21
Clark Lewis F., Whitinsville. 27
Clark Perkins K., South Deerfield. 8
Clark Sereno D., Sunderland. 8
Clark Solomon, Plainfield. 11, 21
Clark Theodore J., Cummington. 11
Clarke Benjamin F., Winchendon. 26
Clarke Edward, Chesterfield. 8
Cleaveland James B., South Egremont. 3
Cleaveland John P., D. D., Lowell. 1
Cloyes Dana, South Reading. 24
Cobb Alvan, Taunton. 22
Cobb Asahel, New Bedford. 17
Cobb Leander, Marion. 17
Cobb, L. Henry, North Andover. 1
Cobb Nathaniel, Kingston. 17
Coburn D. N., Monson. 28
Coggin William S., Boxford. 19
Cogswell Nathaniel, Yarmouth. 4
Colburn Moses M., South Dedham. 21
Colton Aaron M., East Hampton. 11
Colton T. G., Monson. 9
Cone L. H., Chicopee. 9
Cook Elisha W., Townsend. 15
Cook Russell S., New York. 2
Cooke Parsons, D. D., Lynn. 19
Cooley Henry, West Suffield, Ct. 10
Cooley Timothy M., D. D., Granville. 10
Coolidge A. H., Leicester. 25
Copp Joseph A., D. D., Chelsea. 20
Cordley Christopher M., West Brookfield. 5
Cory John E., West Yarmouth. 4
Cornell William M., Boston. 20
Couch Paul, North Cambridge. 16, 20
Cowles John P., Ipswich. 6
Craig Wheelock, New Bedford. 17
Crane Jonathan, Attleboro'. 22
Crawford Robert, D. D., Deerfield. 8
Crosby Josiah D., Ashburnham. 26
Cross Joseph W., West Boylston. 25
Cummings Preston, Leicester. 25
Curtiss Erastus, New Salem. 26
Cushing Christopher, North Brookfield. 5
Cushing James R., East Taunton. 22
Cushman Job, North Truro. 4
Cutler Ebenezer, Worcester. 25

Dana J. Jay, Adams. 2
Darling George, Hudson, O. 1
Dashiell Alfred H., Jr., Stockbridge. 3
Davis Emerson, D. D., Westfield. 10
Davis Franklin, North Wrentham. 13
Davis Timothy, Kingston. 18
Demond Elijah, East Falmouth. 13, 23
Denham George, Barre. 25
Denison, A. C., Medford. 28
Dennen Stephen R., Watertown. 21
Dennis Rodney G., Grafton. 27
Dexter Henry M., Boston. 21
Dickerman Lysander, Gloucester. 7
Dickinson Erastus, Sudbury. 14
Dickinson Noadiah S., Foxboro'. 13
Diman J. L., Fall River. 22
Dimmick Luther F., D. D., Newburyport. 6
Dimock Edwin, Orange. 8
Dodd S. G., Spencer. 5
Dodge John, Harvard. 15
Doe Franklin B., Appleton, Wis. 15
Doe Walter P., Rehoboth. 24
Doggett Thomas, Groveland. 6
Dole George T., Lanesboro'. 2
Dow Ezekiel, Chiltonville. 18

Dowse Edmund, Sherburne. 14
Drummond James, Springfield. 9
Duncan Abel G., Freetown. 22
Duncan Thomas W., Chilmark. 23
Dunham Isaac, Westport. 22
Durfee Calvin, Williamstown. 2
Dwight Edward S., Amherst. 12
Dwight John, North Wrentham. 13
Dwinell Israel E., Salem. 7
Dyer E. Porter, Hingham. 16
Dyer Spencer O., Becket. 3

Eastman David, Leverett. 12
Eastman L. Root, Berkley. 28
Eddy Zachary, Northampton. 11
Edgell John Q. A., Andover. 6
Edwards John E., Lancaster. 15
Edwards Henry L., Abington. 16
Eldridge Azariah, Detroit. 17
Ely Alfred, D. D., Monson. 9
Emerson Alfred, Fitchburg. 15
Emerson Brown, Westminster. 8, 26
Emerson Brown, D. D., Salem. 7
Emerson Edward B., 8
Emerson Ralph, D. D., Newburyport.
Emerson Reuben, South Reading. 7, 24
Emery Joshua, North Weymouth. 16
Esty Isaac, Amherst. 28

Farnham Luther, Boston. 28
Farwell Asa, Haverhill. 6
Felt Joseph B., LL. D., Boston. 28
Field David D., D. D., Stockbridge. 3
Field George W., Boston. 21
Field Levi A., Marlboro'. 14
Fisher Caleb E., Lawrence. 1
Fisher George E., Mason Village, N. H. 12
Fisk Frederick A., East Marshfield. 26
Fiske Daniel T., Newburyport. 6
Fitz Daniel, Ipswich. 7
Flagg Horatio, Colerain. 28
Fletcher James, North Danvers. 7
Folsom George D. F., Springfield. 9
Foote Calvin, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. 10
Ford George, East Falmouth. 23
Foster Aaron, East Charlemont. 8
Foster Andrew B., Hanson. 16
Foster Davis, West Newbury. 6
Foster Eden B., Lowell. 1
Foster Roswell, Pittsfield. 2
Foster William C., North Becket. 2
Fowler William C., Amherst. 28
Freeman George E., Manchester. 7
Freeman Joseph, Hanover. 18
Frost Daniel D., West Stockbridge. 3
Furber Daniel L., Newton Centre. 20

Gale Nahum, Lee. 3
Gale Wakefield, Rockport. 7
Gannet Allen, Lynnfield. 19
Gannett George, Boston. 24
Garrette Edmund Y., Millbury. 27
Gay Ebenezer, Bridgewater. 18
Gibson Hugh, Chester. 10
Gilman Edward W., Bangor, Me. 20
Goldsmith Alfred, Groton. 28
Goodsell Dana, East Haven, Ct. 12
Gould William, Iowa. 17
Greeley Stephen S. N., Grand Rapids, Michigan. 3
Greene Henry S., Ballard Vale. 1
Greene John M., Hatfield. 12
Greene Richard G., East Cambridge. 21
Greenwood Alfred, Natick. 28
Griffin N. H , Williamstown. 2
Grosvenor Charles P., Canterbury, Ct. 24
Gurney John H.. New Braintree. 5

Hall Gordon, Northampton. 11
Hall Thomas A., Otis. 3
Hammond Charles, Groton. 15
Hanks Steadman W., Lowell. 1
Harding John W., Longmeadow. 9
Harding Sewall, Boston. 13
Harding Willard M., Quincy. 16
Harlow William, Wrentham. 28
Harrington Eli W., North Beverly. 17, 19
Harrington Moody, Agawam. 10
Harrison Samuel, Pittsfield. 2
Haskell John, Raynham. 22
Haskell Thomas N., East Boston. 21
Hatch Roger C., Warwick. 8
Haven John, Charlton. 5
Hawks Roswell, South Hadley. 12
Hawks Theron H., West Springfield. 10
Hayes Stephen H., Weymouth. 16
Hazen T. A., Dalton. 2
Headley P. C., Greenfield. 8
Healey J. Warren, Gardner. 26
Hebard Frederick, Harwichport. 4
Herbert Charles D., West Newbury. 6
Hinsdale Charles J., Blandford. 10
Hitchcock Calvin, D. D., Wrentham. 13
Hitchcock Edward, D. D., Amherst. 12
Hill George E , Sheffield. 3
Hixon Asa, West Medway. 13
Hoadley L. Ives, Auburn. 25
Hodgman Edwin R., Townsend. 15
Holbrook Willard, Rowley. 6
Holman David, Douglas. 27
Holman Sydney, Holyoke. 27
Holmes Franklin, Norton. 22
Homes Francis, West Granville. 10
Hooker Henry B., Boston. 21
Hopkins Mark, D. D , Williamstown. 2
Hopley Samuel, Wellfleet. 4
Hoppin James M., Providence, R. I. 7
Hosford Benjamin F., Haverhill. 6
Hosford Isaac, Worcester. 1
Houghton William A., Berlin. 25

Hovey George L., Greenfield. 8
Howard Martin S., South Dartmouth. 17
Howland William W., Conway. 8
Hubbard Anson, Shutesbury. 8
Hull Joseph D., Hartford, Ct. 24
Humphrey Heman, D. D., Pittsfield. 2
Hunt Samuel, Franklin. 13

Ide Jacob, D. D., West Medway. 13
Ide Jacob, Jr., Mansfield. 13

Jackson Samuel C., D. D., Andover. 1
Jackson William C., Dunstable. 14, 15
James Horace, Worcester. 25
Jenkins Abraham, Wendell. 26
Jenkins Jonathan L., Lowell. 1
Jenks William, D. D., Boston. 28
Jessup Lewis, Millbury. 27
Johnson Amos H., Middleton. 7
Johnson Joseph B., South Reading. 24
Jones Charles, Battle Creek, Mich. 21
Jones Thomas N., North Reading. 24
Jones Willard, Northfield. 8
Jordan Francis, Springfield. 28

Keep John, Dana. 5
Kellogg Elijah, Boston. 21
Kendall Charles, Petersham. 26
Kimball Caleb, West Medway. 13
Kimball David T., Ipswich. 6, 7
Kimball James, Oakham. 5
Kimball Moses, Ascutneyville, Vt. 1
Kingman Matthew, Charlemont. 8
Kirk Edward N., D. D., Boston. 21
Kittredge C. B., Monson. 9
Knight Richard, South Hadley Falls. 9

Langworthy Isaac P., Chelsea. 20
Laurie Thomas, West Roxbury. 21
Lawrence John, Carlisle. 24
Leonard Edwin, Milton. 16
Leonard William, Scituate. 16
Lincoln Isaac N., Williamstown. 2
Little George B., West Newton. 21
Little Elbridge G., North Middleboro'. 18, 26
Lombard Otis, Southfield. 3
Longley Moses M., Washington. 2
Loomis Elihu, Littleton. 16
Loomis Henry Jr., Globe Village. 28
Loomis Wilbur F., Shelburne. 8
Lord Charles, Whately. 8
Lothrop Charles D., Attleboro'. 22
Luce Leonard, Boxboro'. 15
Lyman George, Sutton. 27
Lyman Solomon, Easthampton. 11
McGinley William A., Shrewsbury. 25

M'Clure Alexander W., D. D , New York. 20
McCollom, James T., Bradford. 6
McEwen Robert, D. D., Enfield. 12
McLoud Anson, Topsfield. 19
Maltby Erastus, Taunton. 22
Mandell William A., Lunenburg. 15
Manning Jacob M., Boston. 20, 21
March Daniel, Woburn. 24
Marsh Dwight W., Mosul, Turkey. 2
Marvin Abijah P., Winchendon. 26
Marvin Elihu P., Medford. 20, 24
Maynard Joshua L., East Douglas. 27
Mead Hiram, South Hadley. 12
Means James, West Lebanon, N. H. 15
Means James H., Dorchester. 16
Means John O., Roxbury. 21
Merrick James L., South Amherst. 12
Merrill James H., Andover. 1
Miles James B., Charlestown. 20
Miller Rodney A., Worcester. 25
Miller Simeon, Holyoke. 10
Miller William, Sterling. 25
Mills Charles L., North Bridgewater. 16
Mills Cyrus T , Ware. 28
Mills Henry, Granby. 12
Mitchell David M., Roxbury. 28
Monroe Charles W., East Cambridge. 28
Moody Eli, Warwick. 8
Moore George, Andover. 1
Moore Erasmus D., Boston. 28
Moore Martin, Boston. 28
Mordough John H., Hamilton. 7
Morgridge Charles, Hyannis. 4
Morley S. B., Williamstown.. 22
Morong Thomas, Webster. 27
Morse Charles F., Northern Armenia. 25
Morse Jason, Brimfield. 5
Morton Alpha, Assabet. 15
Munger Theodore T., Milton. 16
Munroe Nathan, Bradford or Boston. 6
Munsell Joseph R., Harwich. 4
Murdock William, Boylston. 25
Murphy E. D., Monson. 28
Murray James O., South Danvers. 7
Myrick Osborne, Provincetown. 4

Nash John A., New York. 12
Nason Elias, Medford. 14, 20, 24
Nelson John, D. D., Leicester. 25
Nevin Edwin H , Chelsea. 20
Noble Edward W., Truro. 4
Northrop Birdsey G., Saxonville. 14
Northrop J. H., Millville, N. J. 26
Norton John F., Athol. 26
Norwood Francis, Monson. 10
Nott Samuel, Jr., Wareham. 17

Oliphant David, Andover. 1
Orcutt John, Hartford, Ct. 27
Osgood Samuel, D. D., Springfield. 9

Packard Abel K., Yarmouth. 4
Packard David T , Bridgewater. 20

Paige C. F., Tolland. 10
Paine Albert, North Adams. 2
Paine John C., Gardner. 26
Paine William P., D. D., Holden. 25
Park Calvin E., West Boxford. 6
Park Edwards A., D. D., Andover. 20
Park Harrison G., Wesminster, Vt. 8
Parker Henry W., New Bedford. 17
Parker Leonard S., Haverhill. 6
Parsons Henry M., Springfield. 9
Parsons William L., Mattapoisett. 17
Patrick Henry J., Bedford. 24
Patrick Joseph H., South Wellfleet. 4, 12
Patten Abel, Burlington. 24
Pease Giles, Boston. 28
Peck David, Danbury, Ct. 8
Peckham Joseph, Kingston. 28
Peckham Samuel H., Leominster. 28
Peirce Willard, North Abington. 16
Peloubet Francis N., Lanesville. 7
Pennell Lewis, West Stockbridge Centre. 3
Perkins Ariel E. P., Ware. 5
Perkins Ebenezer, Royalston. 26
Perkins Frederick T., Williamsburgh. 11
Perkins H. K. W., Medford. 24
Perkins Jonas, Weymouth. 16
Perry David, Pepperell. 15
Perry Gardner B., D. D., Groveland. 6
Perry Ralph, Agawam. 10
Perry Salmon C., Windsor. 2
Phelps Austin, D. D., Andover. 21
Phelps Winthrop H., Monterey. 3
Phillips John C., Methuen. 1
Phillips Lucius R., Sharon. 16.
Phipps William, Paxton. 25
Pickett Aaron, Sandisfield. 3
Pike John, Rowley. 6
Plumb A. H., Chelsea. 20
Pomeroy Jeremiah, Charlemont 8, 11
Pomeroy Swan L., D. D., Boston. 20
Pomeroy Rufus, Otis. 3
Poor Daniel J., Gorham, Me. 13
Porter Charles S., South Boston. 21
Powers Dennis, South Abington. 16
Pratt Enoch, Brewster. 4
Pratt Francis G., Middleboro', 20
Pratt Henry, Dudley. 5
Pratt Miner G., Andover. 25
Prince John M., Bridgewater. 18
Putnam Israel W., D. D., Middleboro'. 18

Quint Alonzo H., Jamaica Plain. 21

Rand Asa, Ashburnham. 28
Raymond Stetson, Bridgewater. 18
Reed Andrew H., Mendon. 13
Reed Charles E., Malden. 24
Reed Frederick A., Cohasset. 16
Renshaw Charles S., Richmond. 2
Rice Thomas O., Brighton. 21
Rich Alonzo B., Beverly. 7
Richards George, Boston. 20
Richardson Gilbert B., Douglas. 27
Richardson Merrill, Worcester. 26
Riddel Samuel H., Boston. 21
Roberts Jacob, Medway. 13
Roberts James A., Berkley. 16, 17
Robinson Reuben T., Winchester. 24
Rockwood Otis, Cambridgeport. 20
Rockwood Samuel L., North Weymouth. 16
Rood Thomas H., Goshen. 11
Root Augustine, Lakeville. 22
Ropes William L., Wrentham. 13
Russell Ezekiel, D. D., East Randolph. 16

Sabin Lewis, D. D., Templeton. 26
Safford George B., Northbridge. 27
Sanders Marshall D., Ceylon. 2
Sanford Baalis, East Bridgewater. 18
Sanford David, Medway. 13
Sanford Enoch, Dighton. 18
Sandford John, Taunton. 22
Sanford William H., Worcester. 25
Sawyer Benjamin, Salisbury. 6
Scott Nelson, Marblehead. 19
Seabury Edwin, Royalston. 26
Seagrave James L., Bridgewater. 18
Searle Richard T., New Marlboro'. 3
Sessions Alexander J., Salem. 24
Sewall John S., Wenham. 19
Sewall Jotham B , Lynn. 19
Sewall Samuel, Burlington. 24
Seymour C. N., Whately. 11
Seymour Henry, Hawley. 8
Shedd William G. T., Andover. 6
Sheldon Luther, D. D., Easton. 16
Sheldon Luther H., Westboro'. 27
Skeele John P., Wilbraham. 9
Sleeper William T., Westboro'. 25
Smith Asa B., Buckland. 8
Smith Charles, Hatfield. 21
Smith Charles B , West Gloucester. 7
Smith Edward P., Pepperell. 15
Smith Stephen S., Warren. 5
Snell Thomas, D. D., North Brookfield. 5
Snow Porter H., Baltimore, Md. 9
Southgate Robert, Ipswich. 6, 7
Spalding Samuel J., Newburyport. 6
Spear Charles V., Pittsfield. 2, 14
Stearns Jesse G. D., Billerica. 24
Stearns William A., D. D., Amherst. 12
Stone Andrew L., Boston. 21
Stone Cyrus, Boston. 4
Stone Rollin S., East Hampton. 11
Stone Timothy D. P., Amesbury Mills. 13
Storrs Richard S., D. D., Braintree. 16
Stowe Calvin E., D. D., Andover. 28
Stowe Timothy, New Bedford. 17
Stowell Abijah, Gill. 8
Street Owen, Lowell. 1

Strong David A., South Deerfield. 8
Sturtevant William H., South Dennis. 4
Sullivan Lot B., Wareham. 13
Swallow Joseph E., Stoneham. 24
Sweetser Seth, D. D., Worcester. 25

Tarbox Increase N., Framingham. 14
Tatlock John, Williamstown. 2
Taylor John L., Andover. 1
Teele Albert K., Milton. 16
Temple Josiah H., Framingham. 28
Tenney Daniel, Lawrence. 1
Tenney Francis V., Manchester. 7
Terry James P., South Weymouth. 16
Thacher Isaiah C., Middleboro'. 17
Thayer William M., Franklin. 14
Thompson Augustus C., Roxbury. 21
Thompson George W., Stratham. N. H. 1
Thompson Leander, West Amesbury. 6
Thompson J. C., Holyoke. 11
Thurston Eli, Fall River. 22
Thurston John R., Newburyport. 6
Thurston R. B., Waltham. 20
Timlow H. R., Newburyport. 6
Timlow G. W., North Lebanon, N. Y. 2
Tisdale James, Shutesbury. 8
Todd John, D. D., Pittsfield. 2
Tolman Richard, Tewksbury. 1
Tolman Samuel H., Wilmington. 24
Tracy Joseph, Beverly. 19
Trask George, Fitchburg. 15
Treat Selah B., Boston. 21
Tuck J. W., Ludlow. 9
Tucker Joshua T., Holliston. 14
Tupper Martyn, Hardwick. 5
Turner Josiah W., Andover. 3
Tuxbury Franklin, Hadley. 12
Twining Kingsley, Hinsdale. 2
Tyler Charles M., Natick. 14

Uhler George. 3
Utley Samuel, Concord, N. H. 3

Vaill Joseph, D. D., Palmer. 9
Vose James G., Amherst. 28

Watt Clarendon, Rutland. 25
Walker Horace D., East Abington. 16
Walker James B. R., Holyoke. 10
Walker Townsend, Huntington. 10
Ware Samuel, Sunderland. 28
Warner Aaron, Amherst. 12
Warner Lyman, Ashfield. 8
Warner Oliver, Northampton. 11
Waterbury Jared B., D. D. 20
Webster, John C., Hopkinton. 14
Wellman Joshua W., Newton. 21
Wells Noah, Granville. 10
Wheaton Levi, North Falmouth. 7, 23
Wheeler Melancthon G. 17
Whitcomb William C., Carver. 18, 24
White Isaac C., North Abington, 16
White Calvin, Amherst. 28
White Jacob, Orleans. 4
White Lyman, Easton. 16
Whitney John, Westford. 15, 20
Whittemore Zolva, Chester. 3, 10
Wilcox Philo B , East Bridgewater. 16
Willcox William H., Reading. 24
Wilder Hyman A., South Africa. 2
Wilder Moses H., Otisville, N. Y. 4
Willard Andrew J., Upton. 27
Willard John, Fairhaven. 17
Williams N. W., Shrewsbury. 25
Williams Thomas, Providence, R. I. 13
Wilson Thomas, Stoughton. 16
Winchester Warren W., Clinton. 25
Winslow Horace, Gt. Barrington. 3
Withington Leonard, D. D., Newburyport. 6
Wood Charles W., Campello. 16
Wood Francis, Holland. 5
Woodbridge John, D. D., Hadley. 12
Woodbridge Jonathan E. 21
Woodbury James T., Milford. 13
Woodbury Samuel, Freetown. 22
Woodman Henry A., Newburyport. 6
Woodworth Charles L., Amherst. 12
Worcester Isaac R., Auburndale. 25
Worcester Samuel M., D. D., Salem. 19
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COLLECTION OF STATISTICS.

1. The Statistical Secretary will place in the hands of the District Statistical Scribes, Dec. 10, 1859, a sufficient number of blank schedules for distribution.

2. Each Statistical Scribe will send, Dec. 20, a blank schedule to each Pastor (or Clerk of a vacant church) within his limits, will receive the answers, follow up delinquents, complete the returns, (requiring the observance of the points specified below,) and send to the Statistical Secretary, as near March 10, 1860, as possible, (1) a table of the returns of the churches, properly arranged and footed up, as in the issue of 1859, (2) a list of all the members of his Association, with residence, occupation, and date of ordination, (3) the times of the meeting of his Association, and (4) the names of its officers. He will also send to the Statistical Secretary, June 1, a list of *all ministerial changes* up to that date.

3. Each Clergyman, (or Clerk of a vacant church,) is requested to report the Statistics of his church for the year 1859 to the Statistical Scribe of his Association on or before Jan. 10, 1860, according to the schedule below, which is furnished for the purpose. The following points ought to be observed :— Write out names *fully*, *correctly*, and *legibly*. "Ordained" refers to the date when the minister was set apart by "the laying on of hands;" "installed," the date of *present* settlement. "Absent" members are those who, habitually, worship or reside away from the church; they are to be included in "males," "females," and "total." "Sabbath School" denotes the entire *membership* of a school at the date of report, including both teachers and scholars, and covering branch schools when under the exclusive charge of the reporting church. The report covers the year 1859, and not a day before or after. Leave *no blanks* whatever; a blank constitutes a defective return. Wherever "none" is the proper designation, write it out *in full*. As the effort already made to secure authenticated dates of church organization, is but partially successful, each pastor (or clerk) whose church date is not printed in italics in the present issue, is requested to ascertain the date from *original sources* and to add to his report the *authority* on which he relies.

It is hoped that the great importance of securing correct and full statistics, (in which our own issues now stand unequalled) will secure a prompt and satisfactory return.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
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ALONZO H. QUINT, *Statistical Secretary.*

JAMAICA PLAIN, MS.

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NOTICES.

The session of 1861 will be held at Ware, East Village, commencing Tuesday, June 28, at 4 o'clock, P. M.

Prof. William G. T. Shedd, D. D., of Andover, is the Preacher upon Home Missions,—Rev. Gordon Hall of Northampton, being substitute.

The Associational Preacher is to be selected by Hampshire Association.

Rev. John A. Albro, D. D., of Cambridge, Rev. James B. Miles of Charlestown, and Rev. George W. Field of Boston, are a Committee to prepare the next Pastoral Address.

Rev. Nahum Gale, D. D., of Lee, Rev. George E. Hill of Sheffield, and Rev. Horace Winslow of Great Barrington, are a Committee to prepare the Schedule of Questions directed by Rule IX, Section 7.

The only special committee to report in 1861, is that appointed to consider the subject of introducing a lay delegation into the General Association,—which consists of Rev. John Todd, D. D., of Pittsfield, Rev. John A. Albro, D. D., of Cambridge, Rev. Samuel G. Buckingham of Springfield, Rev. Ariel E. P. Perkins of Ware, and Rev. Joshua T. Tucker of Holliston.

The times, and places of meeting, of the various Bodies with which this General Association is in correspondence, will be found in the CONGREGATIONAL QUARTERLY, published at Boston; the sessions for 1860 and 1861, in the January numbers of the respective years.

A Historical Sketch of this General Association, with a complete list of its officers, (both permanent and annual,) and of its preachers at each session, is contained in the CONGREGATIONAL QUARTERLY, January, 1859.

For other matters of interest, see "Index," on the closing page.

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OFFICERS.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

Rev. ENOCH HALE, Westhampton, ...	1804—1824.
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MINUTES.

The General Association of Massachusetts assembled in the First Congregational Church in Holliston, on Tuesday, June 26, at 4 o'clock, P. M. The delegates were called to order by Rev. Joshua T. Tucker, and Rev. Elihu P. Marvin was appointed Temporary Scribe.

The following clergymen were enrolled as Delegates from District Associations:—

Andover,—George Mooar, Benjamin F. Clark.
Berkshire North,—John Todd, D. D., Addison Ballard.
Berkshire South,—Otis Lombard, George E. Hill.
Brewster,—Edward W. Noble, Edward B. French.
Brookfield,—Ariel E. P. Perkins.
Essex North,—Davis Foster.
Essex South,—Lysander Dickerman, David Bremner.
Franklin,—Wilbur F. Loomis.
Hampden East,—Samuel G. Buckingham, Eli B. Clark.
Hampden West,—Erastus Colton, James B. R. Walker.
Hampshire,—John H. Bisbee, J. C. Thompson.
Hampshire East,—Edward Hitchcock, D. D.
Mendon,—Asa Hixon, John Dwight.
Middlesex South,—*None.*
Middlesex Union,—William A. Mandell, Charles Hammond.
Norfolk,—Albert K. Teele, Edwin Leonard.
Old Colony,—Leander Cobb, James A. Roberts.
Plymouth,—Elbridge G. Little, James Aiken.
Salem,—John S. Sewall, William S. Coggin.
Suffolk North,—Isaac P. Langworthy, John A. Albro, D. D.
Suffolk South,—Daniel R. Cady, Edward W. Clark.
Taunton,—Erastus Maltby.
Vineyard Sound,—William H. Bessom.
Woburn,—Elihu P. Marvin, Reuben T. Robinson.

Worcester Central,—S. S. Ashley, Horace James.

Worcester North,—John C. Paine, Cyrus W. Allen.

Worcester South,—George Lyman.

From Mass. Home Miss. Society,—Henry B. Hooker, D. D., Seth Sweetser, D. D.

Members *ex officiis*,—Joshua T. Tucker, Pastor of the church in Holliston; Alonzo H. Quint, Secretary.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

The following clergymen, who had represented the Association in Corresponding Bodies during the past year, were enrolled as Honorary Members:

David Sanford, delegate to the General Association of New York.

James M. Bacon, delegate to the General Conference of Ohio.

James R. Cushing, delegate to the General Association of Illinois.

Stephen G. Dodd, delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church.

Rev. Abijah P. Marvin, the preacher of the Home Missionary Sermon, and Ezekiel Russell, D. D., the preacher of the Associational Sermon, were also enrolled as Honorary Members.

The following clergymen were present as DELEGATES FROM CORRESPONDING BODIES:

General Association of New Hampshire,—Edward Buxton.

General Convention of Vermont,—James C. Houghton.

Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island,—Thomas Shepard, D. D.

General Association of Connecticut,—Franklin A. Spencer.

General Association of New York,—William B. Brown.

General Conference of Ohio,—Edward E. Lamb.

General Association of Iowa,—Benjamin A. Spaulding.

General Association of California,—Martin Kellogg.

General Association of Oregon,—Sidney H. Marsh.

Presbyterian and Congregational Convention of Wisconsin,—Rev. Edward G. Miner.

General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church,—Edwin F. Hatfield, D. D.

ORGANIZATION.

Rev. Samuel G. Buckingham of Springfield, was chosen Moderator; Rev. Lysander Dickerman of Dorchester, Scribe; and Rev. David Bremner of Rockport, Assistant Scribe.

Prayer was offered by the Moderator.

The Rules of the Association were read by the Scribe.

The following Committees were appointed:

On Nominations:—John A. Albro, D. D., Alonzo H. Quint, and Horace James.

On Credentials:—A. E. P. Perkins, James A. Roberts, and William A. Mandell.

On Arrangements:—Joshua T. Tucker, Isaac P. Langworthy, and Eli B. Clark.

On Accounts:—Albert K. Teele, and Elihu P. Marvin.

On Narrative of the State of Religion:—Erastus Maltby, Daniel R. Cady, and James B. R. Walker.

On Nomination of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies:—Reuben T. Robinson, George Lyman, and Otis Lombard.

The Committee on Arrangements made a report as to the hours of sessions, which was adopted.

The Committee on Arrangements also offered the following amendments to the Rules of the General Association:

1. In Article III, Sec. 1, after "annually," insert "and each District Conference in Massachusetts may appoint three lay members annually," and strike out all after the words "General Association."
2. In Art. III, Sec. 2, after "Associations," insert "and Conferences."
3. In Art. III, Sec. 3, at the end, add "and Conferences."
4. In Art. V, after "Associations," insert "and Conferences."

On motion of Ariel E. P. Perkins, it was

Voted, That these amendments be read a second time, tomorrow.

After prayer by Rev. Dr. Todd, the Association adjourned.

HOME MISSIONARY MEETING.

$7\frac{3}{4}$ *o'clock, P. M.* The Association met for public worship.

The introductory services were performed by Rev. Ariel E. P. Perkins. The sermon was preached by Rev. Abijah P. Marvin of Winchendon, from the Song of Solomon, i: 6. "They made me the keeper of the vineyards, but mine own vineyard have I not kept."

The usual collection was taken for the Massachusetts Home Missionary Society, which amounted to $20 15.

The Association then adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

Wednesday, June 27. The Association met at nine o'clock, and was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer was offered by Rev. Eli B. Clark of Chicopee. The roll was called, and the minutes of the previous day were read.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS.

The amendments to the Rules of the Association, providing for the admission of a Lay Delegation from the local Conferences of the State, were read a second time and debated by Messrs. Perkins, Todd, B. F. Clark, Quint, Sweetser, and Erastus Colton.

REPORTS OF DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

After singing, reports of attendance upon Corresponding Bodies were presented by the following brethren:

Stephen G. Dodd, delegate to the Presbyterian General Assembly;

Alonzo H. Quint, delegate to the General Association of New Hampshire;

David Sanford, delegate to the General Association of New York;

James M. Bacon, delegate to the General Conference of Ohio; and

James R. Cushing, delegate to the Association of Illinois;

John H. Bisbee, delegate to the Association of Iowa, reported by letter his attendance on the meeting of that body.

SALUTATIONS.

The Association received salutations of delegates from Corresponding Bodies, as follows:—

Edwin F. Hatfield, D. D., from the Presbyterian General Assembly;

Rev. Benjamin A. Spaulding, from the General Association of Iowa;

Rev. Edward G. Miner, from the Presbyterian and Congregational Convention of Wisconsin;

Rev. Edward E. Lamb, from the General Conference of Ohio;

Rev. Sidney H. Marsh, from the General Association of Oregon; and

Rev. Martin Kellogg, from the General Association of California.

The Committee of Arrangements made a furthet report on the order of business; and recommended that, inasmuch as the time will be fully occupied with other important matters, no opportunity be given, at present, to hear Agents of Benevolent Societies. This report was adopted.

PROPOSED CONFERENCE OF PRESBYTERIANS AND CONGREGATIONALISTS.

The following Letter from a Committee of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church was then read:

NEW YORK, JUNE 18, 1860.

To the General Association of Massachusetts:

BELOVED BRETHREN,—The ancient and time-honored correspondence, which still subsists between your venerable body and the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, which we have the honor to represent, seems to require that in all matters of common interest, we endeavor, if possible, to act in harmony and with good understanding. We are aware that neither you nor we, have any jurisdiction over the American Home Missionary Society, nor any right to a controlling influence in its affairs, except through our votes, as members or directors, in a meeting of the Society constitutionally convened. But we have a common interest in its prosperity, and in the work which we have so long carried on, in coöperation, through its agency. At the present time, misunderstandings, jealousies, and conflicting views, disturb our relations to it; and we have observed with sorrow the tokens of dissatisfaction exhibited in repeated resolutions of such bodies as yours, disapproving of the course pursued by the General Assembly, or that of minor church judicatories subject to its supervision. It is with the hope that some method may be devised to restore a good understanding between us, and give such shape to our relations in this department for the time to come, as will be just and satisfactory to all parties, and favorable to the interests of the Redeemer's kingdom, entrusted to our fidelity, that the General Assembly have instructed us to ask of you a Committee of Conference. We come to you in the Spirit of Christian brotherhood, and propose the measure in question, on the basis of our long continued and friendly correspondence. Should the Committees, appointed on the terms of the Assembly's resolutions, be able to agree, after a free expression of their views, it may reasonably be hoped that the results of their agreement, though not possessing any *authoritative* character, may harmonize the views not only of the particular bodies so appointing them, but the great body of the two widely extended denominations of Christians, represented in them or associated with them, who for so many reasons relating both to the past and the future, should desire to be on terms of love and harmony, in the great work of evangelizing our growing country. We have the honor to transmit herewith the resolutions of the Assembly, to which, as containing in full the grounds on which we now ask you to appoint such a Committee as is therein indicated, we invite your special attention, and shall await your action and reply, devoutly imploring the blessing of the Great Head of the Church to rest on all your deliberations, and His guidance both for you and us, espe-

cially at such a time as this, in the great and beneficent work for which he has made us responsible.

With Christian salutations, we are your brethren in the Goepel of Christ.

In the name and by the direction of the Committee of Conference of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, lately in session in Pittsburg.

J. F. STEARNS, *Chairman, pro tempore*,

P. S. It is proposed that the Committee meet at the Rooms of the A. B. C. F. M., in this city, on the last Wednesday in September next, at 2 o'clock, P. M., unless some other time and place should be preferred by the Committees to be appointed.

That portion of the Resolutions of the General Assembly on which the above communication was more particularly founded, is as follows:

"4. While we deem it incumbent on our Church to maintain firmly the principles and policy regarding this subject, which have been heretofore adopted and acted upon by the General Assembly, we earnestly desire to effect a good understanding with our Congregational brethren. We have no disposition to take any advantage of them in our coöperation with them, nor do we assert any right or liberty for ourselves which we do not freely accord to them. We have earnestly desired continued coöperation with our brethren in the work of Home Missions, provided it could be carried forward in consistency with the proper liberty of our churches, presbyteries, and higher judicatories, and in fraternal confidence. But if a separation must take place, we trust that it may be effected in Christian love, and solely with a view to the greater peace and efficiency of both denominations. And, that we may do all in our power to secure a wise and Christian adjustment of the difficulties by which we are encompassed, in relation to this subject, the General Assembly hereby appoint a Committee of ten, to meet in a fraternal Conference a Committee of Congregational brethren—should such a Committee be appointed—consisting of two members from each of the Congregational bodies with which this Assembly is in correspondence, viz: The General Associations of Connecticut, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire, the General Convention of Vermont, and General Conference of Maine. To carry into effect this arrangement, the Committee of Conference are hereby instructed to address a communication to each of the bodies already named, inviting them to appoint a like Committee to meet with the Committee of this General Assembly.

"5. It shall be the duty of the Committee of the Assembly herein provided for, to use their utmost endeavors to secure such an understanding between us and our Congregational brethren, in regard to our coöperation with them in the work of Home Missions, as may conduct to a final and equitable settlement of this whole question. It shall also be the duty of this Committee to make a full report to the next General Assembly, and to recommend to that body such plans and measures pertaining to the Home Missionary work as they may deem wise and necessary."

This letter was referred to a Committee consisting of Seth Sweetser, D. D., Edward Hitchcock, D. D., Alonzo H. Quint, Charles Hammond, and Abijah P. Marvin.

The Association united in prayer with Benjamin F. Clarke, and adjourned.

Wednesday, 2 o'clock, P. M. The session was commenced with singing.

SALUTATIONS.

The Association received salutations from the following delegates from Corresponding Bodies:

Rev. Franklin A. Spencer, from the General Association of Connecticut;

Thomas Shepard, D. D., from the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island;

Rev. James C. Houghton, from the General Convention of Vermont;

Rev. Edward Buxton, from the General Association of New Hampshire; and

Rev. William B. Brown, from the General Association of New York.

Rev. G. C. Morse, delegate from the General Association of Kansas, Samuel Harris, D. D., from the General Conference of Maine, and Rev. Lyman Abbot, from the General Association of Indiana, addressed the Association by letter.

NARRATIVES OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

The Association listened to reports of the state of religion in the various district Associations, and to a report from the Statistical Secretary.

DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES FOR 1860–1.

The Committee on Nominations of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies offered the following report:

To the Presbyterian General Assembly:
Primaries, John P. Cleaveland, D. D., Samuel J. Spalding.
Substitutes, John A. Albro, D. D., Israel E. Dwinell.

To the General Conference of Maine:
Primaries, Charles L. Woodworth, Lewis Pennell.
Substitutes, Ebenezer W. Bullard, Lewis F. Clark.

To the General Association of New Hampshire:
Primaries, Benjamin F. Clark, Noadiah S. Dickinson.
Substitutes, Roswell Foster, Joshua T. Tucker.

To the General Convention of Vermont:
Primaries, Luther Sheldon, D. D., Charles W. Wood.
Substitutes, Osborne Myrick, Henry W. Parker.

To the Evangelical Consociation of Rhode Island:
Primaries, William S. Coggin, Alfred Emerson.
Substitutes, Ezekiel Russell, D. D., Edwin Leonard.

To the General Association of Connecticut:
Primaries, Luther H. Sheldon, James O. Murray.
Substitutes, Robert Crawford, D. D., Andrew L. Stone.

To the General Association of New York:
Primaries, Edmund Dowse, Jotham B. Sewall.
Substitutes, Daniel Butler, Winthrop H. Phelps.

To the General Conference of Ohio:
Primaries, Joseph Vaill, D. D., David A. Strong.
Substitutes, Erastus Maltby, F. A. Barton.

To the General Associations of Illinois and Indiana:
Primaries, William Carruthers, Eli Thurston.
Substitutes, Zachary Eddy, Daniel March.

To the General Association of Michigan:
Primaries, John C. Paine, Joshua L. Maynard.
Substitutes, Daniel Tenney, Jacob Roberts.

To the Presbyterian and Congregational Convention of Wisconsin:
Primaries, Timothy Stowe, J. Jay Dana.
Substitutes, James Kimball, Elbridge G. Little.

To the General Association of Iowa:
Primaries, Henry J. Patrick, Aaron M. Colton.
Substitutes, Horace James, Robert McEwen, D. D.

To the General Associations of Kansas and Minnesota:
Primaries, Ariel P. Chute, Byron Bosworth.
Substitutes, James T. McCollom, John S. Sewall.

To the Congregational Association of Nebraska:
Primaries, James B. R. Walker, Ebenezer P. Dyer.
Substitutes, Jason Morse, Ebenezer Alden, Jr.

To the General Associations of California and Oregon:
Primaries, Lysander Dickerman, George L. Hovey.
Substitutes, Aaron Foster, Edward W. Clark.

To the Congregational Union of Canada:
Primaries, Seth Sweetser, D. D., Nahum Gale, D. D.
Substitutes, Theron H. Hawks, Sereno D. Clark.

To the Congregational Union of England and Wales:
Primaries, Jacob M. Manning, Thomas C. Biscoe.
Substitutes, Alonzo H. Quint, George W. Field.

This report was adopted.

THE PROPOSED CONFERENCE ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Committee to whom was intrusted the communication of the Committee from the Presbyterian General Assembly, made, through Rev. Dr. Sweetser, the following report:

Resolved, 1. That the General Association remembers with satisfaction the years in which the members of the Presbyterian and Congregational denominations have united their strength and zeal in planting the institutions of the gospel in the new settlements of our country, and acknowledge with gratitude the large measure of success with which God has crowned these Christian endeavors; and it would give them pleasure to see a united work of benevolence continued, if it could still be prosecuted with mutual helpfulness and confidence according to methods mutually equitable and satisfactory.

Resolved, 2. That while this Association freely accords to the General Assembly the entire right of adopting any plans and methods which their wisdom and Christian judgment may select, by which to fulfil their obligations to our Redeemer, in promoting his cause amongst those in need of the gospel, they cannot but regret that the plan known as the "Church extension" plan has been adopted, the unavoidable tendency of which has been to excite suspicion and distrust, and to cherish views evidently leading to a discontinuance of united action.

Resolved, 3. That this Association has had, and still continues to have, great confidence in the aims, and in the administration of the American Home Missionary Society, and they are unwilling to accede to a conference in which only a part of the State Congregational bodies are represented, believing that it might lead to unprofitable debates arising out of questions, the main issue of which appears, by the expressed opinions and acts of the General Assembly, to be so nearly a settled and unalterable decision.

Resolved, 4. That if the churches in the Presbyterian connection, or any part of them, feel it to be their duty to withdraw from the American Home Missionary Society, in order that with more freedom and heartiness they may combine their strength and means in promoting the evangelization of our common country, we desire for them all success and help from the Lord of the harvest in doing His will; and that between us, as members of the one Church of the redeemed, there may be cherished a spirit of charity and Christian fellowship, praying one for another and emulating one another in good works, living in peace and looking to the God of peace to sanctify us wholly to His service and glory; and at the same time, as in duty bound, we commend the American Home Missionary Society to the continued confidence, prayers, and contributions, of the churches.

This report was unanimously adopted.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS.

The amendments to the Rules of the Association were taken from the table, and discussed by Benjamin F. Clarke, Ariel E. P. Perkins, Elihu P. Marvin, Horace James, Dr. Todd, and Isaac P. Langworthy.

On motion of Isaac P. Langworthy,

Voted, That the entire subject lie on the table until another year.

The session was closed with prayer by Dr. Hitchcock.

MEMORIAL MEETING ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Wednesday, 7¾ *o'clock, P. M.* After prayer by Rev. Dr. Hatfield, and singing,

Mr. Quint made statements and read early records of the Association, showing the agency of this Association fifty years ago this day, in forming the A. B. C. F. M. Addresses were made by Rev. Selah B. Treat, Rev. Mr. Webb of the Mission in Madura, and Rev. Dr. Justin Perkins of Oroomiah, Persia.

THIRD DAY.

Thursday, June 28. The Association met at 9 o'clock, and was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer was offered by Rev. George Lyman. The Roll was called, and the minutes of the previous day were read.

APPOINTMENTS FOR SESSION OF 1861.

Upon recommendation of the Committee of Nominations, it was

Voted, That the session of 1860 be held with the East Congregational Church at Ware; that the Pastoral Letter be prepared by John A. Albro,

D. D., James B. Miles, and George W. Field; that Nahum Gale, D. D., George E. Hill, and Horace Winslow, prepare the Schedule of Questions; and that Prof. William G. T. Shedd, D. D., be the preacher on Home Missions, and Gordon Hall, his substitute.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Association listened to the Treasurer's Report, and voted that it be referred to the Auditing Committee.

NARRATIVE.

The Narrative of the State of Religion was read by Rev. Erastus Maltby, and adopted.

PASTORAL LETTER.

The Pastoral Letter was read by Rev. Eli B. Clark, and laid upon the table.

MEMORIAL MEETING AT BRADFORD.

Rev. Davis Foster of West Newbury, presented to the General Association an invitation from the Church in Bradford, to be represented by delegates in the meeting to be held there on Friday, June 29, in memory of the organization of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, which took place in that town fifty years ago. Upon which, it was

Voted, To accept the invitation.

The following brethren were subsequently appointed to represent the Association:—Jacob Ide, D. D., Isaac P. Langworthy, and Davis Foster.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS.

The vote whereby the subject of a Lay Delegation was postponed to the next session, was reconsidered, and the matter referred to a Committee of five to report next year. The Committee consists of John Todd, D. D., John A. Albro, D. D., Samuel G. Buckingham, Ariel E. P. Perkins, and Joshua T. Tucker.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Committee on Accounts recommended that the Treasurer's Report as audited, be accepted, and that it be printed with the Minutes; and that a tax of fifty cents be levied upon each member of District Associations residing in the State except such as are superannuated. This report was adopted.

DELEGATES TO INDIANA.

On recommendation of the Committee on Delegates to Corresponding Bodies, the delegates to Illinois were also appointed as delegates to the General Association of Indiana.

REV. MR. BEAUBIEN.

The Association listened to remarks from Rev. J. B. C. Beaubien of Chicago, respecting his labors among the French Canadians, and at the close of his remarks passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That having listened to the statements of Rev. Mr. Beaubien, concerning the work of grace among the French Canadians, and of the independent church gathered from among them, of which he is the pastor, of their extreme poverty, and great need of aid in erecting a Chapel, we hereby commend Rev. Mr. Beaubien and his people to the cordial sympathy and contributions of the friends of Christ in this Commonwealth.

A collection was then taken in behalf of his enterprise, which amounted to $77 00.

DISCUSSION OF QUESTIONS.

The discussion of Questions then commencing, it was voted to limit the speeches to five minutes.

Upon the first question, What are the special dangers or needs of the Pulpit, in New England, at the present time?—the speakers were Messrs. Benjamin F. Clarke, Morse, Todd, Bullard, and James.

On the question, Is there any thing to be desired, and if so, what—in the conducting of our religious newspapers?—the speakers were Dr. Todd, Edward W. Clark, Little, Colton, Dr. Albro, and Dr. Hitchcock.

PASTORAL LETTER.

The Pastoral Letter was again read, slightly amended, and adopted.

The session was closed with prayer by Rev. William B. Brown of Newark, N. J.

Thursday, 2 o'clock, P. M. The Association met at the hour of adjournment for public services.

The Associational Sermon was preached by Ezekiel Russell, D. D., from 1 Cor. iv: 20. "For the kingdom of God is not in word, but in power." John A. Albro, D. D., assisted in the devotional services.

The Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. William B. Brown of New Jersey, and the Moderator.

VOTE OF THANKS.

The following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be presented to the Pastor, to his Church, and to their friends, of Holliston, who have so kindly received and hospitably entertained the members of this body, during their present session; also to the Choir, for their most acceptable services, in aid of our devotions at the public exercises of Tuesday and Wednesday evening and Thursday afternoon.

CONGREGATIONAL SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION.

On motion of Dr. Albro, it was

Voted, That, in the judgment of this Association, it is desirable that a Convention of the Congregational Churches of this Commonwealth be held at some convenient time, for the purpose of considering the subject of Sabbath School instruction.

COLLEGES ON THE PACIFIC SHORE.

It was also resolved, regarding the College of California and Oregon University,

That this Association renews the expression of its confidence and sympathy last year given in the enterprise of founding the College of California and Oregon University,—and again commends them to the aid of our people to complete their endowment at as early a date as practicable.

The minutes of the Association were read and approved, and after prayer by Rev. Dr. Albro, the Association, (having passed a vote of thanks to Rev. Mr. Buckingham for his kind and courteous services as Moderator,) adjourned, *sine die*.

SAMUEL G. BUCKINGHAM, *Moderator*.

LYSANDER DICKERMAN, *Scribe*.
DAVID BREMNER, *Assistant Scribe*.

A true copy from the Minutes.

Attest, ALONZO H. QUINT, *Secretary*.

PASTORAL ADDRESS.

Dear Brethren,—

As we are another year's journey nearer the end of our earthly pilgrimage, it may be profitable to raise the inquiry, as we have often done before, respecting the signs of spiritual growth.

Two years ago, in view of the great revival of religion that had so extensively blessed the churches, we were permitted to give expression to our mutual joy in the beautiful language of the Psalmist, "The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad." Many thousands of precious souls had been added to the churches; the prayer-meeting had taken a position, and assumed an importance altogether new; while the most distinguishing and encouraging feature of the great work was the fact, that Christians in general were led to feel their individual responsibility, so as to carry their religious principles into all the departments of their daily toil. So that to an unusual degree Christians seemed to live out that sublime requirement of our Lord, "Whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God."

And in view of these encouraging features of substantial religious growth, it was fondly hoped and believed that "as a general fact the churches had been led upward to a higher level of Christian life, and were going on from strength to strength."

But in view of those thrilling scenes through which the churches had so recently passed, and of the subsequent indications that, instead of the anticipated advance, they were at most only holding their own, if not actually drifting backward, it was indeed most natural, that the subject of *self-examination* should be suggested as the theme of our last year's address.

And as now the inquiry arises again, "Watchmen what of the night?" We are constrained to answer, that whether the churches have been led upward to a higher level of Christian life than formerly, or not, the *indications* are at present most conclusive, that Christians have fallen back into a state of spiritual slumber.

What means this almost unprecedented absence of revivals of religion in the churches during the last year, and why is it that a vast debt is allowed to hang portentously over our great missionary enterprise?

Are these things indications of spiritual growth, that Christians as a body are becoming more and more weaned from the world, more benevolent and Christ-like? It certainly seems to us that Christians have gradually but unconsciously let down their watch, have slackened their individual efforts to recommend to others the religion of Jesus, and have yielded to a worldly spirit, till in great measure, they are indifferent to the solemn fact that "The ways of Zion mourn because few come to their solemn feasts."

Under these circumstances, and conscious that we are each soon to render up our account to God, it may be well to raise the following inquiries:

Brethren, could we speak to you individually, we would ask in regard to your hope in Christ. Is it such that you can point to the scriptural marks of a true Christian, as expressive of the facts in your case, so that you have reasonable comfort and encouragement in your hope, *because* your conscious experience and life conform so nearly to the Scripture rule? As everything depends on the genuineness of your hope in Christ, let us urge upon you the demand of the Gospel which is directed to each individual Christian, "Be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear." Is it then the increasing conviction of your heart that you have so embraced the Lord Jesus, that you can look directly up to him and claim him as your individual Saviour, that your hand is in his, and that he is daily drawing you up nearer to the fulness of his own likeness?

Have you committed yourself to his guidance and power with such a child-like trust that you are enabled to say with a calm and sweet peace of mind, "I *know* in whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day?" This strong confidence in Christ as the Saviour from death, will render all Christian duties pleasant, and your communion with him exceedingly delightful to the soul. "Unto you therefore which believe he is precious." Have you then such evidences as these that Jesus is yours and you are his?

And as you advance in years towards the end of your mortal journey, do you find that there is a corresponding advance in *Christian love;* and that you are more and more appropriating the exceeding great and precious promises to yourself, feeding and living upon them? And is the *evidence* of this increase of Christian graces found in the fact that

the heart responds more promptly and implicitly to the call of Jesus, "Follow thou me"?

And as the past comes up in review, and you think of the manner of your life, let us ask, Are you satisfied to go on to the end, just as you have been thus far?

Are your present attainments and comforts all that you will strive for, so that your efforts in future shall be to retain what you already have, rather than to gain more? Are you satisfied with the present degree of faith, and love, and peace, and joy, and usefulness?

We cannot think it, and therefore calling your attention to the necessity of Christian growth, as evidence of spiritual life, urge upon you like the apostle, "Forgetting the things that are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, to *press* toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

While there has been the laudable desire to cultivate the social element among Christians, and to bring this important principle to the aid of religion, so that true piety might lay aside an unnatural and repulsive stiffness, and wear a more attractive, free, and easy, garb, it is certainly proper to raise the inquiry, whether the turning of the thoughts and efforts of Christians in this direction has not contributed much toward the alarming dearth of revivals in the churches, and to the weakening of vital godliness?

It is manifest that something has hindered us in running the Christian race. For there is not in general that earnest spirit of prayer and expectation which produces disappointment if the blessing sought is not received, that welling up of soul after God which has been sometimes witnessed in the churches.

In the time of the great revival, daily prayer meetings were established in many places, and were followed with such marked and desirable results, so quickening to the Christian heart, and imparting new ideas of prayer in its form, spirit, and efficacy, and proving to be such an efficient means of producing conviction of sin, and of leading souls to Christ, that many regarded it as a permanent institution.

But where are those prayer meetings now? Why indeed are they nearly all abandoned? They would necessarily conflict with the regular routine of secular business to-day, no more than they did when thousands from the store, the counting-room, the shop, and the field, thronged to them for a few moments at least, that they might catch the breath of heaven that seemed to pervade the whole place of assembly. Why then has this powerful means of quickening and saving grace been permitted to so great an extent to pass away?

Although we recognize with devout gratitude to God the fact that new vitality has been infused into the *stated* prayer meetings in most of our churches, and that the number of interested and participating attendants has been sensibly increased as the result of the late revival of religion, yet it seems to us that there is not that feeling of individual responsibility on the part of Christians generally to *labor* in the vineyard of Christ that there was three years ago. They do not, as then, go forth in all directions preaching the Word, raising the inquiry, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" and by daily self-denying labors seeking to gather fruits unto eternal life.

But why is this? Has Christ less for us to do now than he had then? Cannot the individual disciple work for the Saviour now as well as he could then? Are not souls as precious, their peril as great, the promises of God as full and cheering, and his demands as imperative, and is not eternity coming on as fast now as then? And why should not the Christian serve God as diligently and efficiently now, as then? Surely there is no good reason why, and therefore we fear that the spirit of slumber, with its paralyzing power, is creeping over the churches, and hence we would reiterate the admonition of the Apostle, "It is high time to awake out of sleep; for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed."

And let us never forget that the eye of our interceding Saviour is upon us, and that while he pleads for us that our faith fail not, he calls for our own endeavors by the command, "Let your loins be girded about and your lights burning, and ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their Lord."

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.

In reviewing the way in which the Lord has led our churches the past year, we have occasion for renewed gratitude and trust. If revivals of religion have not been as numerous and powerful as in other recent years, the churches generally seem to evince a sanctified influence of the late precious work of grace, in their adherence to the truth and doctrines of the Gospel, and increase of faith and Christian devotion. The fruits of the out-pouring of the Spirit gathered in, the two past years, have added no little strength to Zion and encouragement to all who labor in the vineyard of the Lord.

The reports from the District Associations indicate that the present may be the seed-time of the Church in which it is being prepared for more abundant spiritual harvests. Christians are evidently acquiring a deepening sense of individual responsibility and duty; and of themselves as stewards of God, the light of whose example and influence in the family, the prayer-meeting, the Sabbath-school, the sanctuary, in business affairs, and in all social intercourse, is to shine before men in convincing and winning attractions. The more than seventy-six thousand members of our churches are a sacramental host that cannot but exert an immense influence that may be mighty through God in building up his kingdom among men.

We are permitted to record some revivals of religion; the most prominent of which are in North Becket and Washington, in Berkshire North Association; so extensive is the work of grace in one parish, that it is said there is not one adult female and but three or four adult males not connected with the church. Northfield, in Franklin Association, numbers forty late conversions. In the Second Church in Westfield, several have indulged hope. And some other churches in Hampden West are enjoying special prosperity. The Lord is pouring out also his Spirit at Hanover Four Corners, in Plymouth Association.

The Great Head of the Church has not forsaken his people. May we not hope that these drops of saving mercy betoken far more numerous and extensive showers of grace?

The Andover Association says, "The Theological Seminary is in a flourishing condition."

Williams and Amherst Colleges are favored with prosperity. In the latter there have been a few conversions.

Mount Holyoke and Wheaton Female Seminaries have shared in their usual prosperity, and in the hopeful conversion of a considerable number of their members each term the past year.

Some of the reports speak of the sad influence of a worldly spirit in the Church, and a disregard by many others of the Sabbath and its worship.

The present is no time for the Church to conceal her light, nor retire from the spiritual conflict; but to buckle on the harness, and in union, harmony and strength, persevere in the Lord's work, till they shall be prepared to put off their harness in triumph, and enter into the joy of their Lord.

To this we are solemnly admonished by the death of fifteen ministers of our number, who, some for a long, and others a shorter period, have borne the heat and burden of the day; but have now gone to give account of their stewardship, and receive their reward. During the past year not far from twelve hundred members of the churches also have finished their course.

From the Congregational Associations and Conventions in various parts of the country in correspondence with us, it is pleasing to learn that their cause, and the cause of religion among them, are prospered of God, and receiving favor with the people; that the harmony, union, and zeal of those who are thus united in the work of the Lord, are an earnest of success. Under the favoring influence of this polity, many of the waste places of Zion were made to rejoice. It is also cheering to know that our brethren of the Presbyterian Church are blessed of the Lord in building up his kingdom.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF MASSACHUSETTS,

In account with ALONZO H. QUINT, *Treasurer.*

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1859.			
June 30.	To balance due Treasurer,	$27 98	
1860.			
June 25.	" Crocker and Brewster's bill for Minutes of 1859,	165 45	
" " "	" " for postage on Minutes,	19 89	
" " "	" " for printing Schedules,	3 00	
" " "	Secretary's postage,	15	
" " "	" travelling expenses,	1 80	
" " "	Treasurer's postage,	73	
" " "	Statistical Secretary's postage,	5 07	
" " "	" " blanks for Statistical Scribes,	2 50	
" 27. "	Carried to next year's Account,	119 22	
		$345 29	$345 29
1860.			*Cr.*
June 25.	By balance of taxes due June, 1859,		$46 83
" " "	proceeds of extra tax levied in 1859,		121 79
" " "	Minutes sold,		2 00
" 27. "	Taxes due June 26, 1860,		174 67

Taxes are still due the Association,—from Andover, tax of 1860; Hampshire, extra tax of 1859; Middlesex South, tax of 1860; Old Colony, ditto; Salem, ditto; Suffolk South, extra tax of 1859, and tax of 1860; Vineyard Sound, tax and extra tax of 1859; —from all of which it is supposed that $48 will be realized. The printing ordered at the present session will, with other necessary expenses, cost nearly $200. The balance on hand, with the $48 to be received, will amount to $167 22; so that a deficiency will exist of about $33. The Treasury stands better, however, than two years ago, by $115 95, with $48 due,—amounting to $163 95.

The Committee on Accounts report that they have examined the Treasurer's Report, and find it correct.

The Committee recommend that a tax of 50 cents be levied upon each member of of District Associations residing in the State, except such as are superannuated.

A. K. TEELE,
E. P. MARVIN,
Committee.

RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

I. Doctrinal Basis.—The Associations by which the General Association of Massachusetts was originally organized, agreed to admit, and this Association continues to admit, as articles of faith, the doctrines of Christianity, as they are generally expressed in the Assembly's Shorter Catechism; and the above-mentioned doctrines, understood by us to be distinctly those which, from the beginning, have been embraced by the churches of New England as the doctrines of the Gospel, are considered as the basis of our union.

II. Denominational Basis, and Object.—This General Association is founded on the principles of Congregationalism, and wholly disclaims ecclesiastical jurisdiction over the churches or the opinions of individuals. Its object is, to promote brotherly harmony and intercourse among the ministers of Christ;—to obtain religious information relative to the state of their churches, and of the Christian church in this country and throughout the world;—and to coöperate with one another, and with other ecclesiastical bodies, in the most eligible measures for advancing the cause of truth and holiness.

III. Members.—1. Each District Association in Massachusetts, consenting to the principles of this Union as stated in the first article, may appoint two delegates annually, to compose this General Association; and it is recommended, that one be appointed who attended the preceding year.

2. The Secretary, the Statistical Secretary, and the minister of the church where the Association meet, shall have seats, and act as members; the Associations to which they belong retaining the right to elect their number of Delegates in addition.

3. The principle of the connection formed with the Massachusetts Missionary Society is, that said Society may annually appoint two delegates to this body, who shall be admitted to equal privileges with the members from the District Associations.

4. The preachers of the Home Missionary and Associational Sermons, the chairmen of committees attending to present reports, the delegates who, within the preceding year, attended the meetings of the corresponding bodies to which they were sent, and such others as the Association,

upon the recommendation of the Committee of Arrangements, may vote to admit, shall have seats as Honorary Members, and shall be allowed full liberty to take part in all deliberations, but they shall not be entitled to vote.

IV. Meeting.—1. The several Associations shall have the offer of receiving, in rotation, the annual meeting of the General Association.

2. The time of the annual meeting of this Association, shall be on the fourth Tuesday of June, at four o'clock, P. M., at such place as shall have been duly notified.

V. Quorum.—Twenty members, delegated from the particular Associations of Massachusetts, shall be requisite to form a quorum.

VI. Organization.—1. The minister of the church in the place where the Association meets, or the Secretary, may call the Association to order, and preside in the meeting until the Association shall be properly organized.

2. The certificates of the Delegates present shall be read by the Secretary, or by a temporary Scribe; and the Association shall then be organized by the choice of a Moderator, a Scribe, and, if necessary, an assistant Scribe, by ballot. The Rules of the Association shall also be read, and the Moderator shall open the business with prayer.

VII. Special Order.—1. At the opening of the session on the morning of each subsequent day, the Moderator shall take the chair at the hour to which the Association stands adjourned; shall immediately call the members to order; shall direct the roll to be called; shall open the meeting with prayer; and cause the minutes of the preceding day to be read; and the session of each day shall be closed with prayer.

2. The Committees for the session shall be appointed upon Tuesday.

3. An annual sermon shall be preached before the Association on Tuesday evening, on the subject of Home Missions, and a collection taken. The preacher shall be appointed by this body.

4. Wednesday, A. M. and P. M., shall be appropriated to the following objects:—not exceeding half an hour to necessary business; hearing reports of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies; receiving salutations of Delegates from Corresponding Bodies, who shall be expected to confine their remarks within ten minutes; hearing the narratives from the Delegates of the several Associations concerning the state of religion and the churches, which shall be presented in writing, with a view to obtain an accurate account of the principal facts, not however to prevent any more particular details which the Delegates may think expedient to add, or the Association to request,—no report of the state of religion being read in public, unless it be approved by the Association from which it comes, or by the Committee of Arrangements of the General Association,—no report being allowed to exceed four minutes, and the Moderator being instructed to enforce this rule; the discussion of theological and practical

questions connected with the ministerial profession, and in accordance with a schedule prepared by a special Committee and printed with the notices. Wednesday evening shall be occupied by religious services having special reference to the people of the place of meeting.

5. The Associational Sermon, the preacher of which shall be appointed by each Association in turn, shall be delivered at two o'clock, Thursday, P. M., after which the Lord's Supper shall be administered.

6. Previously to the close of each meeting, the General Association shall specify a place for meeting the next year, and request some District Association to appoint a preacher to deliver the Associational Sermon. And the church of the place of meeting is desired to make preparations to celebrate the Lord's Supper during the session.

7. Each annual meeting shall be closed with a psalm or hymn, and prayer by the Moderator, or such other member as he shall appoint.

VIII. Permanent Officers.—1. The Secretary shall be chosen for three years, from the close of the meeting at which the choice shall be made. He shall, *ex officio*, be the Treasurer of the General Association, and shall be authorized to pay such expenses as are allowed by the Association, and shall be allowed his own travelling expenses in attending the meetings of this Association. He shall receive the publications from foreign bodies, and distribute them among the several Associations, in proportion to the tax paid by them respectively. One copy of each publication, received by the General Association, or printed by its order, shall be kept in the archives.

2. A Statistical Secretary shall be chosen for three years from the first of September following his appointment. He shall procure the Statistics of the churches through the Scribes or other statistical officers of the District Associations; complete and arrange them for publication, and present them in that form and properly combined into a summary, at the same time with the reports of the District Associations at each session. He shall superintend their printing; shall be a member, *ex officio*, of this body and of the Publishing Committee, and shall be allowed his travelling expenses in attending the meetings of the Association.

IX. Committees.—1. At each meeting of the Association, a Committee on Credentials shall be appointed.

2. At each meeting of the Association, a Committee of Arrangements, consisting of three, shall be appointed by nomination, to prepare the business of the session; and no business shall be introduced during the session, but through the hands, and with the approbation of the Committee. But if said Committee decline presenting any item of business proposed by any member, he shall have the privilege of appeal to the Association.

3. A Committee shall be appointed annually, to audit the accounts, who shall report the state of the treasury, and the sum in their opinion necessary to be paid the next year by the members of the several Associations connected with this body.

4. A Committee shall be appointed to receive the narratives and statements, and shall condense them into one narrative, to be submitted to the General Association and published. The written narratives shall be deposited with the Secretary.

5. A Committee shall be appointed to nominate Delegates to Corresponding bodies.

6. A Committee of three shall be annually appointed, to submit to the General Association at the next meeting a *Pastoral Address*, to excite the attention of ministers and Christians to faithful discipline in the churches, the instruction of the rising generation, the sanctification of the Sabbath, and other subjects relating to the general interests of religion. The address being approved by the General Association, shall be signed by the Moderator, and printed with the minutes. This Committee shall be chosen from the several Associations in rotation.

7. A Committee to be chosen from the several Associations in rotation, shall be appointed to prepare a Schedule of Questions for the next meeting, which they shall furnish to the Secretary, to be published with the notices of the session.

8. A Publishing Committee shall be annually appointed, to make such extracts from the minutes of the meeting, as in their judgment it will be proper to publish; procure to be printed such number of copies, with the Pastoral Address, Narrative of the State of Religion, and Statistics of the churches, as will give one copy to each minister of the Associations represented in this body; and such a number of copies for other bodies connected with this Association, as shall be mutually agreed upon, and shall transmit them under the direction of the Secretary.

X. Correspondence.—1. Our principles of fraternal intercourse with all ecclesiastical bodies in correspondence with us are, that this Association, and each body so connected with it, shall annually appoint Delegates to the other, which shall be admitted to the privilege of sitting, and deliberating upon all matters which may come under consideration.

2. The Delegates shall, as far as practicable, be selected from the District Associations in rotation. The brethren chosen substitutes in the delegations to the bodies in our connection, shall, at our next session, be considered as Delegates to the respective bodies, if they shall not previously have taken their seats there, through the failure of their principals.

3 The printed Minutes of the Association shall be sufficient testimonials of the appointment of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies

4 It shall be the duty of those Delegates who attend the meetings of Corresponding Bodies, whether they be primaries or substitutes, to certify the Secretary in writing, on or before the opening of the annual meeting next after his appointment.

XI Assessments.—It shall be the duty of the Delegates of the District Associations, to pay the amount of the assessments due from their respective Associations for the past year, whether collected or not.

XII. Statistics.—1. The Statistical returns, with respect to the number in the churches, etc., shall be made out according to a printed schedule of this body, and according to the numbers on the first of January past.

2. The names of all the members of the Associations belonging to this body, whether with or without charge, shall be inserted in the published returns, and corrected up to the date of publication.

3. Each District Association connected with this body, is requested to appoint a Statistical Scribe, to collect the statistics of the churches within its bounds, in methods designated by this body, and under the direction of the Statistical Secretary of the General Association.

XIII. Rules of Order.—1. Every motion, on being seconded, shall, if requested by the Moderator, or any two members, be reduced to writing, and no motion shall be open to discussion, until it be seconded.

2. The Moderator may speak to points of order, in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose; and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the house by any two members. But he may not speak to the merits of the question without leaving the chair, and placing some other member in it, to preside while he speaks.

3. On questions of order, adjournment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question, no member shall speak more than once. Nor on any question shall a member speak more than twice, without leave of the Association.

4. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, or the previous question, viz. Shall the main question be now put? The effect of adopting the previous question shall be to put an end to debate, and to bring the Association to a direct vote upon amendments reported by a Committee if any, upon pending amendments, and then upon the main question.

5. If a question under debate contain several parts, any member may have it divided, and a question taken on each part.

6. Every member, when speaking, shall address himself to the chair; and shall be subject to no needless interruption; if he act disorderly, it shall be the duty of the Moderator, and the privilege of other members, to call him to order.

7. No member shall leave the Association before the session is closed, except with the consent of the body; nor shall any one leave the house during a sitting, without the consent of the Moderator.

XIV. Amendments.—A *Vote* or *Resolve* to establish, alter, or annul a *standing rule* of this body, shall be read twice on different days, and may be debated at each reading. At the first reading the question shall be, Shall it be read the second time?

ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS.

The order in which the several Associations have the offer of receiving the ANNUAL MEETING OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION; Brookfield having the session of 1861:

Suffolk North, Suffolk South, Vineyard Sound, Salem, Berkshire South, Mendon, Andover, Brewster, Taunton, Hampshire, Essex South, Hampshire East, Norfolk, Berkshire North, Middlesex South, Brookfield, Old Colony, Plymouth, Hampden East, Essex North, Hampden West, Franklin, Worcester South, Woburn, Worcester North, Middlesex Union, Worcester Central.

The order in which the several Associations shall appoint one of their number as PREACHER OF THE ASSOCIATIONAL SERMON; Hampshire appointing the preacher of 1861:

Worcester Central, Suffolk North, Suffolk South, Salem, Berkshire North, Vineyard Sound, Essex South, Franklin, Worcester South, Mendon, Hampden East, Brookfield, Hampden West, Middlesex South, Norfolk, Hampshire, Hampshire East, Worcester North, Old Colony, Plymouth, Taunton, Middlesex Union, Woburn, Essex North, Brewster, Andover, Berkshire South.

The order in which a Committee will be appointed from the several Associations to prepare the PASTORAL LETTER,—one from Suffolk South to be appointed in 1861, who will prepare the Letter to be reported in 1862:

Brewster, Berkshire North, Mendon, Vineyard Sound, Taunton, Essex North, Middlesex South, Plymouth, Hampshire, Hampden East, Suffolk North, Suffolk South, Essex South, Middlesex Union, Woburn, Brookfield, Hampshire East, Franklin, Norfolk, Old Colony, Andover, Worcester Central, Worcester South, Worcester North, Hampden West, Berkshire South, Salem.

The Committee for preparing the SCHEDULE OF QUESTIONS, ordered by Rule IX, Section 7, is taken from the several Associations in alphabetical order,—the Committee appointed in 1860 to report in 1861 being taken from Berkshire South.

Delegates to Corresponding Bodies are selected from the several Associations in rotation. At the meeting in 1861, one Substitute Delegate from each District Association will be appointed to the Body whose name stands in the opposite column. It is the privilege of each Association to nominate a person, who will, regularly, become Primary the succeeding year:

Andover, and Mendon,	Maine.
Berkshire North, and Middlesex South,	Michigan.
Berkshire South, and Middlesex Union,	New Hampshire.
Norfolk, (two,)	New York.
Brewster, and Old Colony,	Rhode Island.
Brookfield, and Plymouth,	Vermont.
Essex North, and Salem,	Wisconsin, and Nebraska.
Essex South, and Suffolk North,	Kansas, and Minnesota.
Franklin, and Suffolk South,	General Assembly, (N. S.)
Hampden East, and Taunton,	Connecticut, and Oregon.
Hampden West, and Vineyard Sound,	California, and Ohio.
Hampshire, and Woburn,	England, and Canada.
Hampshire East, and Worcester Central,	Indiana, and Illinois.
Worcester North, and Worcester South,	Iowa.

Changes from year to year are made in the following manner:—The column of Associations remaining fixed, the lowest name in the column of States one year, is placed at the head of its own list the next year, the others in that list being lowered, each one line. Thus, next year, "Iowa" will be placed opposite "Andover, and Mendon," "Maine" will be in a line with "Berkshire North, and Middlesex South," and the remainder will follow in order.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

EXPLANATIONS.

1. Associations are arranged in alphabetical order; towns, alphabetically in each Association; churches in each town, according to age; and of each church, (1) its town, (2) its locality in the town, and (3) its name, which name is always followed, or intended to be, by "ch."

2. The location of churches not found in the tables where they have hitherto appeared, will be ascertained by referring to the Index of Towns.

3. The "total" number of clergymen in each table, is reckoned by tables, not by membership in the Association; although the membership is given for the convenience of the Association. "Resident" are those who reside in Massachusetts.

4. The columns specifying churches and ministers are corrected up to July 1, 1860; church members are reported for Jan. 1st preceding; admissions, removals, and baptisms cover the year 1859; "absent" are *included in* "males," "females," and "total"; "Sabbath School" includes total *membership* of teachers and scholars at the time of reporting, covering "branch schools" when under the *exclusive* care of the reporting church.

5 Churches organized since Dec. 31, 1859, are reported with their *original* membership, but are not included in the summaries.

6. Dates of church organization printed in *italics*, are those which have been *authenticated* for this report by reference to original records; those not so designated *may* be correct, but the Statistical Secretary has not been able to obtain knowledge on the subject.

7. Dates earlier than 1752 are given in "old style." To reduce such to "new style,"—if it be a date in the 17th century, add ten days; if it be a date of the 18th century (prior to 1752,) add eleven days.

8. "Ordained" denotes the date on which the person was originally set apart to the ministry "by the laying on of hands;" "Installed" denotes the date of his *present* pastorate.

9. All *Post-office addresses* are to be found in the Index of clergymen, and *not* in the tables. The *towns*, in the latter, are often different from the Post-office addresses, in the former.

10. In *no* instance is any number in these Statistics supplied from the returns of previous years; blanks signify ignorance or carelessness. Nor is a single figure inserted without reliable authority.

11. See "Remarks" at the close of the tables.

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1. ANDOVER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Andover, South ch.	*Oct.* 17, 1711	George Mooar,	Oct. 10, 1855	Oct. 10 1855	88	243	331	42	13	8	21	9	6	5	20	4	7	230
" Theol. Sem. ch.	Aug. 20, 1816	Faculty,	Acting	pastors	353	62	415	308	10	0	10	0	5	0	5	0	1	270
" West ch.	*Dec.* 5, 1826	James H. Merrill,	Nov 26, 1839	Apr. 30, 1856	70	156	226	35	1	1	2	4	7	1	12	0	3	200
" Free Chr. ch.	*May* 7, 1846	S C. Leonard,	Aug 30, 1844	St. sup. 1859	73	155	228	20	14	13	27	3	12	0	15	5	0	170
" Ballardvale,	*Dec* 31, 1854	Henry S. Greene,	Dec 27, 1837	Apr. 1, 1855	8	44	52	3	6	1	7	1	5	0	6	1	9	125
Chelmsford, North ch.	Apr. 27, 1824	Benjamin F. Clark,	Aug. 1, 1839	Aug. 1, 1839	98	53	81	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	85
Dracut, 1st ch.	*Mar.* 29, 1721	None,			20	44	64	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
" West ch.	Aug. 31, 1797	William Allen,	Jan. 29, 1847	St. sup.	48	86	134	28	3	1	4	1	0	0	1	1	4	90
" Central ch.	July 25, 1847	None.			34	52	86	6	11	0	11	0	2	0	2	1	0	85
Lawrence, La st ch..	*Apr.* 19, 1847	Caleb E. Fisher,	Aug 23, 1843	Apr 13, 1859	120	227	347	80	7	29	36	3	13	0	16	4	2	625
" Central ch.	*Dec.* 25, 1849	Daniel Tenney,	May 13, 1845	Sep 2, 1857	141	298	439	97	28	19	47	7	17	0	24	5	8	325
Lowell, 1st ch.	*June* 6, 1826	Jonathan L Jenkins,	Oct 17, 1855	Oct. 17, 1855	81	283	364	107	9	9	18	1	23	0	24	2	3	466
" Appleton-st. c.	*Dec* 2, 1830	J. P Cleaveland, D D.	Feb. 14, 1827	Oct 2, 1855	50	210	260	45	4	3	7	5	10	0	15	4	0	261
" John-st. ch.	*May* 9, 1834	Eden B Foster,	Aug. 11, 1841	Feb 3. 1853	75	313	388	84	3	18	21	0	20	0	20	1	1	425
" Kirk-st. ch.	*May* 21, 1845	A. Blanchard, D. D.	Dec. 25, 1829	May 21, 1845	76	245	321	80	7	15	22	5	2	0	7	2	6	300
" High-st. ch.	*Jan.* 22, 1846	Owen Street,	Feb. 3. 1842	Sep 16. 1857	62	115	177	53	1	6	7	1	4	0	5	0	3	220
Methuen, 1st Cong. c.	*Oct* 29, 1729	John C. Phillips,	Dec 18 1833	Dec 25 1839	62	117	179	47	0	0	0	3	1	0	4	0	0	150
North Andover, Ev. c.	*Sep.* 3, 1834	L Henry Cobb,	Oct. 28, 1857	Oct 28, 1857	24	90	114	14	3	0	3	4	4	0	8	1	5	125
Tewksbury,	Nov. 29, 1734	Richard Tolman,	Sep 17, 1845	Aug. 25, 1852	56	114	170	22	1	1	2	3	0	0	3	1	1	137
Total, 19		14 Pastors, 2 s. s.†, 2 vacant chhs			1469	2907	4376	1106	121	124	245	50	131	6	187	32	53	4389

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Elijah P. Barrows, D. D., Hitchcock Prof of Heb. Lang and Lit., Andover, ord June 6, 1832; Spencer F. Beard, Andover, ord. Jan. 14, 1829; Steadman W. Hanks, Sec. Am. Seamen's Friend Society, Lowell, ord March 20, 1840: Isaac Hosford, Chaplain Insane Asylum, Worcester, ord. Feb 14, 1838; Samuel C. Jackson D D., Assistant Sec Mass. Board of Education, Andover, ord June 6, 1827; David Oliphant, Andover, ord. May 15, 1815; John L Taylor, Treasurer of Trustees of Phillips Academy, Andover, ord. July 18, 1839.—7. *Non-Resident:* Milton Badger, D. D, Sec. Am. H. Miss. Society, New York, ord. Jan. 3, 1828; George Darling, Hudson, O., ord. (when?); Moses Kimball, Ascutneyville, Vt, ord. (when?); George W. Thompson, Stratham, N H., ord (when?)

† In addition to the Professors at Andover.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in February, April, June, October, and December.

OWEN STREET, Lowell, Scribe; GEORGE MOOAR, Andover, Statistical Scribe.

2. BERKSHIRE NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.			Admitted 1859.				Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Adams, North,	*Apr.* 19, 1827	Albert Paine,	Sep. 7, 1848	Dec. 3, 1856	39	133	172	41	2	7	9	1	3	1	5	1	2	110
" South,	1840	John Tatlock, Jr.	Nov 29, 1859	Nov. 29, 1859	27	76	103	29	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	0	85
Becket, North,	*Sep* 25, 1819	William C. Foster,		1848	May 3, 1860	41	68	109	10	3	7	10	2	4	0	6	3	7	75
Dalton,	*Feb* 16, 1785	Edson L. Clark,	Nov. 30, 1859	Nov 30, 1859	37	78	115	40	1	3	4	2	5	0	7	1	5	66
Hinsdale,	*Dec.* 17, 1795	Kinsley Twining,	Aug. 26, 1858	Aug 26, 1858	75	121	196	20	8	5	13	3	3	0	6	3	1	180
Lanesboro',	*Mar.* 28, 1764	George T. Dole,	Oct. 16, 1842	St. sup.	17	32	49	10	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	45
Peru,	1770	None,			41	67	108	8	0	1	1	5	8	0	13	0	0	109
Pittsfield, 1st ch.	*Feb* 7, 1761	John Todd, D. D.	Jan. 1, 1827	Feb. 16, 1842			707		8	8	16	3	9	0	12	1	9	250
" 2d (colored,)	*Feb* 20, 1846	Samuel Harrison,	Aug 13, 1850	Aug. 13, 1850	11	32	43	7	3	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	45
" South ch.	*Nov.* 12, 1850	Roswell Foster,	Mar. 14, 1855	Feb. 2, 1859	94	186	280	27	4	12	16	3	11	0	14	2	6	150
Richmond,	1765	None,			25	64	89	9	1	0	1	1	1	0	2	1	0	80
Washington,	1772	Moses M. Longley,	May 28, 1846	*	6	21	27	17	4	1	5	0	0	0	0	3	0	70
Williamstown, 1st ch	1765	Addison Ballard,	Sep. 15, 1857	Sep 15 1857	79	200	279	39	2	1	3	6	7	0	13	0	2	100
" College ch.	*June* 15, 1834	Mark Hopkins, D. D.	Sep. 15, 1836	Sep. 15, 1836	77	0	77	59	3	4	7	0	8	0	8	0	0	0
" 2d ch.	1836	None,			13	23	36	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Windsor,	*Dec.* 21, 1772	Talmon C. Perry,	Nov. 12, 1856	St. sup.	23	36	59	9	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	106
Total, 16		11 Pastors, 2 s. s, 3 vacant chhs.			605	1137	2149	399	39	53	92	28	64	1	93	15	33	1471

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Calvin Durfee, Williamstown, ord. April, 1828; Nathaniel H. Griffin, Williamstown, ord. June 28, 1839; Heman Humphrey, D D., Pittsfield, ord March 16, 1807; Isaac N Lincoln, Williams College, ord. Sept. 6, 1853; Charles V Spear, Pittsfield, ord. Oct. 27, 1852; Sardis B. Morley, Williamstown, ord July 9, 1851; John Tatlock, Williams College ord. Oct. 12. 1852—7. *Non-Resident:* Russell S. Cook, New York, ord Jan. 1837; J Jay Dana, Troy, N Y., ord. Sept. 9, 1835; Dwight W. Marsh, Missionary, Mosul, Turkey, ord. Oct. 2, 1849 at Dalton; Marshall D. Saunders, Missionary, Ceylon, ord July 17, 1851 at Williamstown; G. W. Timlow, stated supply at North Lebanon, N. Y, ord. Sept. 12, 1844; Hymen A. Wilder, Missionary in South Africa, ord. Feb. 25, 1849 at South Adams.

*"Pastor" by vote of Congregational and Methodist churches, March 3, 1859.

Association meets on the last Mondays in January, April, July, and October.

KINSLEY TWINING, Hinsdale, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

3. BERKSHIRE SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Alford,	*Aug.* 13, 1846	None,			9	17	26	9	3	0	3	2	0	0	2	7	0	25
Becket, 1st ch.	*Dec.* 28, 1758	Spencer O. Dyer,	Apr. 21, 1858	Apr. 21, 1858	35	67	102	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	68
Egremont,	*Nov.* 22, 1816	James B. Cleaveland,	June 8, 1852	July 12, 1855	35	73	108	13	1	0	1	1	3	0	4	0	2	123
Great Barrington,	*Dec.* 28, 1743	Horace Winslow,	May 25, 1842	Jan. 6, 1858	56	111	167	17	0	3	3	1	2	0	3	0	0	225
" Housatonic,	*June* 18, 1841	*Josiah Brewer,	May 10, 1826	St. sup.	18	49	67	5	8	9	17	0	0	0	0	7	0	100
Lee,	*May* 25, 1780	Nahum Gale, D. D.	June 22, 1842	Sep. 1, 1853	156	264	420	40	3	8	11	11	10	7	28	1	11	200
Lenox,	1769	*R. S. Kendall,	Dec. 24, 1845	Mar. 29, 1860	58	130	188	23	0	1	1	6	6	0	12	0	2	130
Monterey,	*Sep.* 25, 1750	Winthrop H. Phelps,	Feb. 9, 1848	Dec. 27, 1854	23	57	80	13	0	3	3	2	4	1	7	0	3	70
Mount Washington,	*Oct.* 6, 1831	None,			1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Marlboro', 1st ch.	*Oct.* 31, 1744	Richard T. Searle,	May 8, 1845	Sep. 28, 1852	36	76	112	27	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	105
" Southfield	*Apr.* 25, 1794	None,			22	44	66	12	2	1	3	2	1	0	3	2	0	75
Otis,	*Feb.* 2, 1799	Thomas A. Hall,	June 16, 1841	St. sup.	28	69	97	15	5	1	6	1	3	0	4	4	1	94
Sandisfield,	*Feb.* 24, 1756	Aaron Pickett,	June 23, 1826	Jan. 23, 1851	77	150	227	54	26	4	30	3	1	0	4	21	2	160
Sheffield,	*Oct.* 22, 1735	George E. Hill,	June 5, 1851	May 6, 1855	36	136	172	8	1	1	2	6	2	0	8	0	5	215
Stockbridge,	*Oct.* 18, 1734	Alfred H. Dashiell, Jr.	Dec. 28, 1847	Dec. 11, 1850	97	174	271	44	5	3	8	5	6	0	11	2	1	160
" Curtisville,	*Dec.* 22, 1824	None,			45	69	114	53	0	1	1	1	3	0	4	0	0	60
W. Stockbridge,	*Dec.* 25, 1833	Daniel D. Frost,	Dec. 30, 1846	Mar. 25, 1857	66	32	98	48	1	0	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	50
" Center,	*June* 14, 1789	Lewis Pennell,	Sep. 17, 1833	Dec. 6, 1854	35	49	84	10	6	0	6	1	2	0	3	2	0	50
Total, 18		12 Pastors, 2 s. s., 4 vacant chhs.			833	1570	2403	406	61	38	99	42	44	9	95	41	29	1910

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* David D. Field, D. D., Stockbridge, ord. April 11, 1804; Otis Lombard, New Marlborough, ord. June 14, 1849; Rufus Pomeroy, Otis, ord. Sept. 5, 1811; George Uhler, Curtisville, ord. Oct. 17, 1847.—4. *Non-Resident:* John C. Brigham, D. D., Sec. Am. Bible Soc., New York city, ord. Oct. 10, 1832; George T. Washburn, Missionary of A. B. C. F. M., Madura, India, ord. March 22, 1859.

*Not members of the Association.

Association meets on the last Monday in January, April, July, and October.

WINTHROP H. PHELPS, Monterey, Scribe; OTIS LOMBARD, New Marlborough, Statistical Scribe.

4. BREWSTER ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.			Admitted 1859.				Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Barnstable, Hyannis,	*Jan.* 3, 1854	Charles Morgridge,	Sep. 20, 1831	Jan. 21, 1858	9	16	25	6	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Chatham,	*June* 15, 1720	‖			34	96	130	0	1	0	1	2	2	0	4	0	0	100
Dennis, South,	*Jan.* 16, 1817	Wm. H. Sturtevant,	Nov. 15, 1853	Dec. 10, 1856	28	49	77	6	2	0	2	3	0	0	3	1	0	150
Eastham,	*In* 1646	*No public worship.*			13	31	44	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	35
Harwich,	*Nov.* 6, 1747	*Joseph R. Munsell,	Oct 26, 1831	St. sup. 1857	15	53	68	15	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	5	90
" Port, Pilgrim ch.	*Apr.* 3, 1855	Frederick Hebard,	July 1849	St. sup.	16	27	43	0	9	7	16	0	1	0	1	9	0	125
Orleans, East,	*In* 1719	Jacob White,	Jan. 13, 1836	June 1, 1841	29	89	118	3	2	0	2	4	0	0	4	2	0	250
Provincetown,	*In* 1714	Osborne Myrick,	Feb 18, 1846	Feb. 18, 1846	15	53	68	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	90
Sandwich, Puritan ch.	*Mar.* 21, 1847	*No public worship.*			15	35	50	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Truro, 1st ch.	*Nov.* 1, 1711	Edward W. Noble,	Dec. 26, 1849	Dec. 26, 1849	46	74	120	7	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	160
" North,	*May* 22, 1842	None,			5	16	21	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
Wellfleet, 1st ch.	*In* 1730	Samuel Hopley,	Sep. 19, 1855	Mar. 12, 1857	74	131	205	19	1	0	1	2	6	0	8	1	3	140
" South,	*Dec.* 4, 1833	†Joseph H Patrick,	Nov. 22, 1827	St. sup. 1857	42	77	119	18	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	1	160
Yarmouth,	*In* 1639	*Charles Seccombe,		St. sup.	34	80	114	16	4	1	5	3	1	0	4	2	2	138
" West,	*Sep.* 30, 1840	‡John E. Cory,	Oct. 12, 1853	St. sup.	6	30	36	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	52
Total, 15		6 Pastors, 5 s. s. 4 vacant chhs.			381	857	1238	112	20	9	29	20	14	0	34	15	13	1590

*Not a member of this Association. †Member of Hampshire East Association. ‡Member of Taunton Association. ‖Supplied by E. B. French, unordained.

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Ebenezer Chase, Tisbury, ord. Aug. 19, 1810; Nathaniel Cogswell, Yarmouth, ord. Aug. 24, 1822; Cyrus Stone, Boston, ord. May 10, 1826—3. *Non-Resident:* Moses H. Wilder, Otisville, N. Y., ord. April 21, 1835.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in April, and October.

WILLIAM H. STURTEVANT, South Dennis, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

5. BROOKFIELD ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Brimfield,	*Nov.* 18, 1724	Jason Morse,	Dec. 12, 1849	Dec. 12, 1849	50	131	184	16	10	1	11	5	4	2	11	3	3	265
Brookfield,	*Apr.* 15, 1756	None,			45	94	139	20	4	0	4	4	1	0	5	3	0	115
Charlton,	*Apr.* 16, 1761	John Haven,	Dec 14, 1836	July 12, 1855	23	83	106	15	1	1	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	130
Dana, Centre,	*Sep.* 28, 1852	John Keep,	Sep. 30, 1835	Nov. 15, 1853	13	30	43	8	1	1	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	60
Dudley,	1732	*Henry Pratt,	Oct. 25, 1854	Oct. 25, 1854	47	107	154	25	2	2	4	2	0	0	2	2	0	125
Hardwick,	1736	Martyn Tupper,	Apr. 16, 1828	June 23, 1852	27	67	94	15	0	0	0	3	3	0	6	1	0	140
Holland,	*Sep.* 12, 1765	Francis Wood,	Feb. 26, 1823	Stated sup	15	26	41	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	65
New Braintree,	*Apr.* 18, 1754	John H. Gurney,	Feb. 28, 1850	Apr 23, 1856	17	71	88	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	90
North Brookfield, 1st c.	*May* 28, 1752	{ Thomas Snell, D. D. { Christop'r Cushing,	June 27, 1798 Feb 21, 1849	June 27, 1798 Sep. 17, 1851	105	208	313	12	11	11	22	8	5	0	13	4	3	271
" Union ch.	*June* 6, 1854	Wm. H Beecher,	Mar 25, 1830	June 3, 1857	36	79	115	5	10	4	14	0	7	0	7	9	2	255
Oakham,	*June* 23, 1773	James Kimball,	June 13, 1825	Dec. 6, 1832	78	145	223	39	1	1	2	4	5	1	10	1	0	200
Southbridge,	*Sep.* 16, 1801	Eber Carpenter.	Feb. 17, 1830	Dec. 1, 1835	48	128	176	45	5	1	6	4	4	0	8	3	2	130
Spencer,	*May* 17, 1744	Stephen G. Dodd,	Sep. 24, 1852	Aug. 23, 1854	42	114	156	12	4	2	6	2	0	0	2	4	1	250
Sturbridge,	*Sep.* 29, 1736	Sumner G. Clapp,	Mar. 9, 1828	Mar. 26, 1856	71	138	209	34	0	5	5	2	8	0	10	0	2	145
Ware, 1st ch.	*May* 9, 1751	Ariel P. Chute.	Mar 16, 1836	Sep. 22, 1857	47	90	137	27	0	2	2	1	2	0	3	0	0	130
" East ch.	Apr. 12, 1826	Ariel E. P. Perkins,	Sep 18, 1844	Dec. 5, 1855	89	194	283	34	1	12	13	8	14	0	22	0	10	275
Warren,	*In* 1742	Stephen S. Smith,	Nov. 11, 1831	Apr 13, 1851	52	121	173	22	2	5	7	2	6	0	8	2	5	150
West Brookfield,	*Oct.* 16, 1717	Christ. M. Cordley,	Sep 15, 1849	June 8, 1859	77	124	201	36	7	10	17	5	1	0	6	3	3	210
Total, 18		17 Pastor, 1 s. s , 1 vacant ch.			882	1953	2835	376	59	58	117	51	63	3	117	37	31	2906

OTHER MEMBERS.—None.

*Not a member of the Association.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, third Tuesday in April, and first Tuesday in July and October.

A. E. P. PERKINS, Ware, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

6. ESSEX NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.			Admitted 1859.				Removed 1859.			Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Amesbury, West,	*May* 19, 1726	Leander Thompson,	Nov. 30, 1838	Sep. 20, 1854	71	143	214	28	1	2	3	7	6	0	13	0	2	200
" Mills,	*Dec.* 6, 1831	Timothy D P. Stone,	Mar. 1, 1843	St. sup.	57	123	180	24	3	8	11	4	4	0	8	0	3	150
" and Salisbury,	*Oct.* 14, 1835	Nathaniel Lasell,	1849	St. sup.	18	53	71	11	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	100
Boxford, West,	*Dec.* 9, 1736	None,			31	52	83	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1	85
Bradford,	*Dec.* 1682	James T. McCollom,	June 25, 1841	Jan. 25, 1854	84	145	229	14	6	3	9	7	6	2	15	5	4	200
Georgetown,	*Oct.* 4, 1732	Charles Beecher,	1844	Nov. 19, 1857	72	135	207	17	3	1	4	0	5	0	5	3	2	285
Groveland,	*June* 7, 1729	Thomas Doggett,	Mar. 9, 1857	Mar. 4, 1857	47	101	148	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	1	120
Haverhill, West,	*Oct.* 1735	Asa Farwell,	Apr 21, 1853	Apr. 21, 1853	36	73	109	15	5	1	6	3	10	0	13	4	1	130
" East,	1743	Abraham Burnham,	Sep. 30, 1857	Sep. 30, 1857	13	25	38	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45
" Centre,	*Aug.* 28, 1833	Benj. F. Hosford,	May 21, 1845	May 21, 1845	40	124	164	16	5	3	8	1	96	1	98	4	0	154
" *Winter-st. ch	*May* 13, 1839	Leonard S. Parker,	Dec. 16, 1837	June 1, 1853	48	95	143	20	4	11	15	1	10	0	11	1	2	175
" North cong. c	*Mar.* 30, 1859	None,			38	65	103	0	3	100	103	1	1	0	2	2	3	200
Ipswich, Linebrook,	*Nov.* 15, 1749	None,			30	29	59	13	4	0	4	4	0	0	4	2	2	50
Newbury, 1st ch.	1635	{ L Withington, D.D { John R. Thurston,	Oct. 31, 1816	Oct. 31, 1816 Jan. 20, 1859	47	140	187	31	2	2	4	3	1	0	4	1	1	165
" Byfield ch.	*Nov.* 17, 1706	Charles Brooks,	June 16, 1858	June 16, 1858	62	90	152	22	2	1	3	5	5	0	10	0	2	150
Newburyp't, North ch	*Jan.* 18, 1768	None,			74	296	370	6	0	3	3	2	0	0	2	0	0	180
" South ch.	*May* 30, 1793	Randolph Campbell,	Apr. 30, 1835	Oct 12, 1837	74	193	267	7	2	2	4	3	5	1	9	1	3	200
" Belleville,	*Apr.* 1808	Daniel T. Fiske,	Aug. 18, 1847	Aug. 18, 1847	68	155	223	20	5	3	8	6	1	0	7	4	8	250
" Whitefield ch.	*Jan.* 1, 1850	Samuel J. Spalding,	Oct. 28, 1846	June 30, 1851	55	146	201	27	7	7	14	2	6	0	8	3	4	234
Rowley,	*Dec.* 3, 1639	John Pike,	Dec 18, 1840	Dec. 18, 1840	45	114	159	6	3	0	3	5	5	0	10	1	4	75
Salisbury, Hill,	*Nov.* 19, 1718	Benjamin Sawyer,	Nov. 22, 1809	St. sup.	5	16	21	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
W. Newbury, 1st ch.	*Oct.* 26, 1698	Charles D. Herbert,	Apr 24, 1846	Mar. 5, 1857	43	64	107	6	1	6	7	3	1	2	6	1	4	140
" 2d ch.	*Sep.* 1, 1731	Davis Foster,	Nov. 1, 1855	Nov 1, 1855	35	116	151	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	326
Total. 23		17 Pastors, 3 s. s., 4 vacant chhs.			1093	2493	3586	299	56	151	210	63	164	6	233	32	47	3694

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* John P. Cowles, Principal of Young Ladies Sem., Ipswich, ord. June 18, 1833; J. Q. A. Edgell, Agent for Western Colleges, Andover, ord. Sept. 19. 1832; Nathan Munroe, Editor Boston Recorder, Bradford, ord. Feb 10. 1836; Calvin E. Park, West Boxford, ord. Oct 31, 1838; William G. T. Shedd, Brown Professor in Andover Theological Seminary, ord. Jan. 4, 1844; Henry A. Woodman, Newburport, ord. Nov. 30, 1842.—6. *Non-Resident:* Alexander C. Childs, (where?) ord. May 18, 1853.

*Disbanded in June, 1860.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September, and November.

SAMUEL J. SPALDING, Newburyport, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

7. ESSEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Beverly, Washington-street ch.	*Feb.* 8, 1837	Alonzo B. Rich,	Feb. 8, 1846	Dec 8, 1852	39	121	160	5	4	0	4	3	1	0	4	0	0	175
Danvers, Maple-st. ch.	*Dec.* 5, 1844	James Fletcher,	June 20, 1849	June 2, 1849	36	80	116	8	0	4	4	0	1	0	1	0	5	279
Essex, 1st ch.	*Sep.* 6, 1681	James M Bacon,	Oct. 8, 1846	July 9, 1856	49	116	165	13	3	0	3	4	1	0	5	2	1	240
Gloucester, West,	*Mar.* 23, 1829	Charles B. Smith,	June, 1849	St. sup.	20	30	50	5	3	0	3	3	1	0	4	3	0	50
" Harbor,	*Nov* 17, 1829	*Isaiah C. Thacher,	Dec. 25, 1841	1860	21	80	101	8	3	2	5	2	6	5	11	1	0	200
" Lanesville,	*Aug.* 25, 1830	Francis N. Peloubet,	Dec. 2. 1857	Dec 2, 1857	14	38	52	4	2	3	5	0	1	0	1	1	1	243
Hamilton,	*Oct.* 12, 1714	John H. Mordough,	May 18, 1836	June 12, 1850	64	93	157	14	0	0	0	4	1	2	7	0	4	150
Ipswich, 1st ch.	*In* 1634	Robert Southgate,	Jan 4, 1832	July 24, 1851	57	167	224	26	2	0	2	3	0	1	4	2	3	242
" South ch.	*Aug.* 22, 1747	Daniel Fitz,	June 28, 1826	June 28, 1826	45	147	192	20	4	1	5	5	1	0	6	1	9	160
Lynnfield Centre,	*Aug.* 12, 1720	†Wm. C. Whitcomb,	Dec. 1848	St. sup.	14	46	60	18	3	1	4	1	0	0	1	3	0	75
Manchester,—																		
Orthodox cong. ch.	*Nov.* 7, 1716	George E. Freeman,	Oct. 5, 1858	Oct. 5, 1858	43	106	149	14	8	2	10	2	0	0	2	6	1	165
" The Orthodox cong. ch.	*Nov.* 7, 1716	Francis V. Tenney,	Aug. 7, 1845	Aug. 18, 1858	35	92	127	8	20	0	20	2	1	0	3	3	22	140
Middleton,	*Oct* 22, 1729	Amos H. Johnson,	Jan. 1, 1857	Jan. 1, 1857	48	108	156	32	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	160
Rockport, 1st ch.	*Feb.* 13, 1755	Wakefield Gale,	May 17, 1826	May 4, 1836	106	193	299	25	4	1	5	13	1	1	15	1	4	264
" 2d ch.	*Mar.* 15, 1855	David Bremner,	May 2, 1855	May 2, 1855	28	30	58	0	14	0	14	0	0	0	0	7	2	434
Salem, 3d ch.	*Apr.* 1735	{ B. Emerson, D D. { Israel E Dwinell,	Apr. 24, 1805 Nov. 22, 1842	Apr. 24, 1805 Nov. 22, 1849	80	268	348	34	8	5	13	4	4	1	9	7	10	434
" Howard-st. ch.	*Dec.* 29, 1803	Charles C. Beaman,	June 20, 1839	St. sup.	21	90	111	15	1	5	6	0	2	1	3	0	2	100
" Crombie-st. ch.	*May* 3, 1832	Joseph Henry Thayer,	Dec. 29, 1859	Dec. 29, 1859	70	227	297	0	11	0	11	0	0	0	0	3	1	171
South Danvers, 1st ch.	*Sep* 23, 1713	James O. Murray,	Oct. 26, 1854	Oct. 26, 1854	77	217	294	22	21	7	28	9	1	1	11	12	2	510
Total, 19		17 Pastors, 3 s s , no vacant chhs.			867	2249	3116	261	112	31	143	56	20	12	88	53	68	4192

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident*: Lysander Dickerman, Neponset, ord. Apr. 29, 1858.—1. *Non-Resident:* Ephraim W. Allen, pastor, South Berwick, Me. ord. May 17, 1843; James M. Hoppin, ord. March 27, 1850, now in Europe. *Enumerated elsewhere:* Levi Wheaton, stated supply, North Falmouth.

*Member of Old Colony Association. †Member of Woburn Association.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September, and November.

ALONZO B. RICH, Beverly, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

8. FRANKLIN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.			Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Ashfield, 1st ch.	*Feb.* 22, 1763	Willard Brigham,	May 24, 1843	Mar. 12, 1856	33	86	119	16	4	2	6	3	2	0	5	4		120
" 2d ch.	*June* 13, 1855	None,			24	47	71	5	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Bernardston,	*Jan.* 13, 1834	Theodore J. Clark,	Oct. 11, 1812	St. sup.	21	34	55	8	3	5	8	2	1	0	3	2	1	50
Buckland,	*Oct.* 8, 1785	Charles Lord,	Oct. 20, 1843	Mar. 29, 1860	65	110	175	15	0	0	0	2	14	0	16	0	5	75
Charlemont, 1st ch.	*June* 6, 1788	Matthew Kingman,	June 26, 1845	June 6, 1851	40	58	98	13	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	125
" East,	*Aug.* 6, 1845	Aaron Foster,	Oct. 19, 1825	Feb. 13, 1850	30	62	92	12	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	1	1	100
Coleraine,	*Dec.* 9, 1819	*William A. Smith,		St. sup.	16	45	61	7	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	100
Conway,	*July* 4, 1768	George M. Adams,	Sep. '8, 1837	Sep. 18, 1851	116	218	334	36	9	4	13	9	11	0	20	4	14	225
Deerfield, Orthodox c.	*June* 2, 1835	Rob't. Crawford, D. D	Aug. 20, 1830	Jan. 13, 1858	29	61	90	10	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	80
" South, 1st c.	*June* 20, 1818	Perkins K. Clark,	Aug. 26, 1846	June 28, 1859	51	95	146	12	4	14	18	1	6	0	7	1	3	180
" Monument ch.	*Jan.* 25, 1848	David A. Strong,	Mar. 20, 1849	Mar. 21, 1839	29	67	96	13	0	1	1	4	13	0	17	0	1	100
Erving, Ev. Cong. ch.	*Sep.* 19, 1832	None,			15	14	29	13	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	0	0	30
Gill,	1793	Abijah Stowell,	Sep. 18, 1844	St. sup.	8	43	51	0	1	2	3	0	5	0	5		0	75
Greenfield, 1st ch.	*Mar.* 28, 1754	*A. Chandler, D. D.	Feb. 7, 1810	Oct. 25, 1832	33	64	97	4	3	3	6	0	2	0	2	2	2	85
" 2d ch.	*Jan.* 15, 1817	Phineas C. Headley,	Feb. 9, 1819	May 7, 1837	81	154	235	0	4	1	25	5	6	0	11	6	10	150
Hawley, East,	*Sep* 16, 1778	Henry Seymour,	Mar. 1, 1812	Oct 3, 1849	40	61	101	14	3	0	3	2	1	0	3	1	0	90
" West,	*Aug.* 24, 1825	Joseph B Baldwin,	Oct. 1832	St. sup.	24	43	67	3	7	3	10	0	1	0	1	1	0	50
Heath,	*Apr.* 15, 1785	*Isaac Esty,	Jan. 1831	St. sup.	12	19	31	0	0	0	0	2	8	0	10	0	0	75
Montague, 1st cong. c.	*Nov.* 22, 1752	Frederick B. Perkins,	Feb. 15, 1860	Feb. 15, 1860	44	100	144	15	2	0	2	1	7	0	8	0	2	150
Northfield, Trin. ch.	*Nov.* 30, 1825	Willard Jones,	July 4, 1839	Nov. 17, 1859	21	50	71	10	0	4	4	3	2	0	5	0	0	75
Orange,	*Sep* 23, 1846	None.			51	107	158	31	0	1	1	2	3	0	5	0	0	188
Shelburne, 1st ch.	*In* 1770	Richard S. Billings,	June 6, 1855	June 6, 1855	89	82	171	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	3	0	3	225
" Falls,	*Mar.* 6, 1850	Wilbur F. Loomis,	Apr. 15, 1856	Apr. 15, 1856	59	102	161	12	9	11	20	1	5	0	6	8	11	212
Shutesbury,	*Oct.* 27, 1842	None.			17	42	59	4	11	2	13	0	1	1	2	4	0	60
Sunderland,	*Jan.* 1, 1718	Sereno D. Clark,	June 11, 1840	May 31, 1853	86	140	226	12	2	8	10	1	3	0	4	4	5	175
Warwick,	*June* 9, 1829	Edmund H. Blanchard	Apr. 25, 1860	Apr. 85, 1860	14	47	61	13	0	1	1	0	3	0	3	0	0	68
Whately, 2d cong ch.	*Nov.* 10, 1842	None, †			31	51	82	12	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	2	
Total, 27		17 Pastors, 5 s. s., 5 vacant chh.			1079	2002	3081	291	87	70	157	44	102	2	148	40	64	2973

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Horatio Flagg, Coleraine, ord. Jan. 24, 1828; Roger C. Hatch, Warwick, ord. Oct. 23, 1818; George L. Hovey, Dist. Sec. of Am. and For. Christian Union, Greenfield, ord. Sept. 6, 1838; William W. Howland, Missionary A. B. C. F. M., (now in Conway,) ord. Oct. 14, 1845; Eli Moody, Montague, ord. Aug. 12, 1818; Jeremiah Pomeroy, (preaching at Readsboro', Vt.,) Charlemont, ord Oct. 7, 1833.—6. *Non-Resident:* Edwin Dimock. (where?) ord. April 14. 1858; Asa B. Smith, Southbury, Ct., ord. Nov. 1, 1837; James Tisdale, " West," ord. Sept. 29, 1830; Lyman Warner, East Hartford, Conn, ord. Oct. 28, 1857.

*Not members of this Association. †This church worships with the 1st church in Whately.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in February, May, August, (usually July by special vote,) and November.

9. HAMPDEN EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Chicopee, 1st ch.	*Sep.* 27, 1752	Eli B. Clark,	Oct. 16, 1839	Oct. 16, 1839	35	57	92	6	0	4	4	2	3	0	5	0	1	80
" 2d ch.	*July* 3, 1830	Frederick Alvord,	July 21, 1858	July 21, 1858	45	119	164	60	8	5	13	3	7	0	10	5	1	156
" 3d ch.	*Oct.* 16, 1834	Luther H. Cone,	Apr. 5, 1855	Feb. 19, 1857	54	145	199	55	1	7	8	3	10	0	13	1	9	178
Longmeadow,	*Oct.* 17, 1716	John W. Harding,	Jan. 1, 1850	June 1, 1850	70	142	212	16	1	3	4	2	5	0	7	0	4	100
" East,	*Apr.* 22, 1829	Albert B. Peabody,	May 24, 1860	May 24, 1860	37	72	109	25	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	54
Ludlow,	*In* 1789	None,			43	82	125	11	1	0	1	3	0	0	3	0	1	145
Monson,	*May* 23, 1762	{ Alfred Ely, D. D.	Dec. 17, 1806	Dec. 17, 1806														
		{ Theron G. Colton,	Sep 25, 1849	Mar 28, 1855	85	155	240	17	1	3	4	3	7	0	10	1	3	225
Palmer, 1st ch.	*In* 1730	*Jeremy W. Tuck,	Sep 6, 1843	St. sup.	18	44	62	13	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
" 2d ch.	*Nov.* 1, 1847	Joseph Vaill, D. D.	Feb. 2, 1814	Dec. 7, 1854	31	81	115	17	0	7	7	2	1	0	3	0	3	150
South Hadley Falls,	*Aug.* 12, 1824	None,			49	118	167	36	0	6	6	0	7	0	7	0	2	170
Springfield, 1st ch.	*In* 1637	{ S'l. Osgood, D. D.	June 25, 1809	June 25, 1809														
		{ Henry M. Parsons,	Nov. 15, 1854	Nov. 15, 1854	82	268	350	46	5	17	22	9	15	0	24	2	7	306
" Olivet,	*Jan.* 8, 1833	George D. F. Folsom,	July 16, 1850	May 23, 1855	55	136	191	20	5	2	7	2	9	1	12	4	4	168
" South,	*Mar* 26, 1842	Sam. G. Buckingham,	May 24, 1837	June 16, 1847	115	216	331	35	1	12	13	5	10	0	15	1	9	220
" North,	*Oct.* 28, 1846	James Drummond,	Oct. 12, 1842	June 16, 1858	88	135	223	47	9	15	24	4	23	0	27	3	6	234
" Indian Orchard,	*Mar.* 23, 1848	Frederic A. Barton,	In 1839	St. sup.	23	38	61	13	2	1	3	3	5	0	8	1	1	70
Wilbraham,	*June* 24, 1741	John P. Skeele,	Oct. 9, 1850	Nov. 30, 1858	66	116	182	48	5	2	7	4	1	1	6	3	5	125
" South,	*In* 1785	None,			19	66	85	15	0	0	0	3	3	0	6	0	2	75
Total, 17		14 Pastors, 2 s. s., 3 vacant chhs.			918	1990	2908	490	39	86	125	49	106	2	157	21	59	2556

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Charles B. Kittredge, Monson, ord. Oct. 16, 1833; Richard Knight, South Hadley Falls, ord. May 1837; Raymond H. Seely, Springfield, ord. July 5, 1843, pastor-elect at Haverhill.—3. *Non-Resident:* William S. Blanchard, (where?) ord. (when?)

*Resides in Ludlow.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in February, May, and July, and on the second Tuesday in November.

ELI B. CLARK, Chicopee, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

10. HAMPDEN WEST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Agawam,	Sep. 1, 1819	Ralph Perry,	Jan. 3, 1844	Dec. 28, 1847	46	77	123	8	6	2	8	3	1	0	4	2	9	80
" Feeding Hills,	*Nov.* 11, 1762	None,			27	61	88	4	2	0	2	0	5	1	6	0	0	77
Blandford,	1735	Charles J. Hinsdale,	June 15, 1823	Jan. 20, 1836	42	81	123	0	3	5	8	2	2	0	4	1	3	135
Chester,	1765	None,			47	63	110	8	8	16	24	1	0	0	1	5	11	82
" Factories,	*Nov.* 13, 1844	Zolva Whittemore,	Sep. 15, 1821	St. sup.	8	11	19	4	0	1	1	1	3	0	4	0	0	35
Granville, East,	1747	Noah H. Wells,	May 2, 1860	St. sup.	27	48	75	6	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	70
" West,	*Nov.* 19, 1781	None,			22	47	69	11	0	0	0	1	5	0	6	0	1	60
Holyoke, 1st ch.	*Dec.* 4, 1799	Simeon Miller,	May 7, 1846	May 7, 1846	29	61	90	17	0	0	0	0	6	0	6	0	0	70
" 2d ch.	*May* 24, 1849	James B. R. Walker,	Oct. 27, 1847	Nov. 8, 1855	38	128	166	56	4	5	9	0	6	2	8	1	1	240
Huntington, 2d ch.	Aug. 26, 1846	Townsend Walker,	Apr. 12, 1844	Dec. 27, 1853	20	43	63	6	3	1	4	3	4	1	8	1	3	100
Montgomery,	June 30, 1797	Moody Harrington,		St. sup.	5	13	18	0	0	2	2	2	0	0	2	0	0	40
Southwick,	Aug. 17, 1773	Erastus Colton,	Jan. 17, 1838	Oct. 19, 1858	16	56	72	16	3	1	4	1	6	1	8	3	1	70
Tolland,	1797	Caleb F. Paige,	Nov. 5, 1823	St. sup.	31	67	98	22	6	0	6	3	3	0	6	3	1	80
Westfield, 1st ch.	Aug. 27, 1679	Emerson Davis, D. D.	June 1, 1836	June 1, 1836	93	219	312	18	3	13	16	7	13	0	20	1	0	240
" 2d ch.	May 22, 1856	Joel S. Bingham,	Oct. 20, 1846	June 17, 1857	89	110	199	8	26	10	36	2	7	0	9	18	6	203
West Springfield,	*June* 1698	Theron H. Hawks,	Mar. 7, 1855	Mar. 7, 1855	68	156	224	35	6	1	7	4	4	4	12	2	6	200
" Mettineague,	June 10, 1853	None,			13	30	43	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70
Total, 17		9 Pastors, 4 s. s., 4 vacant chhs.			621	1271	1892	234	70	58	128	30	66	9	105	37	45	1850

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* None. *Non-Resident:* Calvin Foote, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., ord. Feb. 2, 1820; Francis Norwood, Maine, ord. July 6, 1825.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in February, June, September, and November.

EMERSON DAVIS, D. D., Westfield, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

11. HAMPSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.			Admitted 1859.				Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Chesterfield,	*Oct.* 30, 1764	John Wheelock Allen,	Feb. 1839	St. sup.	11	39	50	4	0	1	1	3	1	0	4	0	1	60
Cummington, 1st ch.	*July* 7, 1779	John C. Thompson,	Oct. 28, 1835	St. sup.	14	37	51	20	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	50
" Village,	*July* 1, 1839	John C. Thompson,	Oct. 28, 1835	St. sup.	36	46	82	3	0	0	0	0	9	0	9	0	0	85
" West,	Dec. 2, 1840	None,			13	35	48	16	3	3	6	1	3	0	4	2	1	50
Easthampton, 1st ch.	*Nov.* 17, 1785	Aaron M. Colton,	June 10, 1840	Mar. 3, 1853	89	166	255	15	0	8	8	2	5	0	7	0	6	135
" Payson ch	*Dec.* 29, 1852	Rollin S. Stone,	Apr. 15, 1835	Dec. 30, 1852	71	156	227	21	3	12	15	1	9	0	10	2	3	149
Goshen,	Dec. 21, 1780	Thomas H. Rood,	Dec. 25, 1848	Jan. 31, 1855	34	62	96	16	1	1	2	3	4	0	7	1	0	63
Huntington, 1st ch.	*July* 1778	None,			44	65	109	15	4	1	5	4	7	0	11	0	2	140
Middlefield,	Nov. 18, 1783	Lewis Bridgman,	Oct. 29, 1840	May 11, 1859	47	54	101	9	0	6	6	2	5	1	8	0	2	95
Northampton, 1st ch.	June 18, 1661	Zachary Eddy,	April 1835	Mar. 3, 1858	154	341	495	40	8	16	24	18	1	0	19	4	6	397
" Edwards ch.	*Jan.* 30, 1833	Gordon Hall,	Oct. 25, 1848	June 2, 1852	119	185	304	32	11	7	18	1	5	0	6	5	2	200
Plainfield,	*Aug* 31, 1786	Solomon Clark,	Apr. 12, 1841	St. sup.	55	96	151	12	13	5	18	2	2	0	4	8	3	240
Southampton,	*June* 8, 1743	*Joseph E. Swallow,	July 18, 1848	Oct. 5, 1859	123	196	319	81	4	5	9	9	10	1	20	2	1	193
Westhampton,	*Sep.* 1, 1779	E. C. Bissell,	Sep. 21, 1859	Sep. 21, 1859	100	139	239	0	0	0	0	6	4	0	10	0	8	160
Whately, 1st ch.	*Aug* 13, 1771	None,			54	74	128	6	0	6	6	1	4	0	5	0	3	30
Williamsburg,	*July* 3, 1773	None,			119	170	289	25	8	0	8	7	11	0	18	5	11	188
" Haydenville,	*Mar.* 1, 1851	Cyrus Brewster,	Aug 23, 1843	Aug. 18, 1853	46	98	144	14	5	4	9	4	4	0	8	0	6	141
Worthington,	*Apr.* 1, 1771	John H. Bisbee,	Feb 20, 1834	Dec. 19, 1838	79	136	215	25	3	4	7	3	3	2	8	1	6	330
Total. 18		10 Pastors, 3 s. s., 4 vacant chhs.			1208	2095	3303	357	63	79	142	69	87	4	160	30	61	2706

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Erastus Clapp, Easthampton, ord. Jan 1, 1823; Edward Clark, Chesterfield, ord. June 19, 1839; Solomon Lyman, Easthampton, ord. Jan. 4, 1826; Frederic T. Perkins, Williamsburg, ord. Jan. 11, 1843; Oliver Warner, Secretary of State, Northampton, ord. June 5, 1844; Ebenezer B. Wright, Huntington (Norwich P. O.), ord. Dec. 8, 1819.—6.

*Member of Woburn Association.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in February, May, and November.

CYRUS BREWSTER, Haydenville, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

12. HAMPSHIRE EAST ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Amherst, 1st ch.	*Nov.* 7, 1739	Edward S. Dwight,	Dec. 25, 1844	July 19, 1854	89	212	301	27	9	10	19	6	23	127	56	4	3	210
" 2d ch.	*Nov.* 11, 1782	Chas. L. Woodworth,	Nov. 7, 1849	Nov. 7, 1849	52	144	196	23	0	9	9	1	2	0	3	0	4	200
" South ch.*	*Oct.* 14, 1824	None,			16	32	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
" College ch.	*May* 7, 1826	Wm. A Stearns, D. D.	Dec 14, 1831	Nov 21, 1854	55	16	71	6	0	2	2	1	5	0	6	0	0	0
" North ch.	*Nov.* 15, 1826	John W. Underhill,	Oct. 5, 1859	Oct. 5, 1859	85	139	224	0	2	1	3	3	9	0	12	2	7	134
" South,†	*June* 8, 1858	James L. Merrick,	Apr. 15, 1831	June 8, 1858	20	51	71	4	7	0	7	1	0	0	1	5	8	108
Belchertown,	*In* 1737	Henry B. Blake,	Jan. 1, 1845	June 26, 1855	103	233	336	12	1	6	7	6	9	29	41	0	6	300
Enfield,	*In* 1790	Rob't McEwen, D. D.	Oct. 9, 1833	Feb 16, 1842	135	222	357	54	5	3	8	2	7	0	9	3	7	163
Granby,	*In* 1762	Henry Mills,	Nov. 23, 1851	Nov. 23, 1854	116	165	281	39	2	2	4	5	8	1	14	1	9	304
Greenwich,	*In* 1749	Edward P. Blodgett,	July 5, 1843	July 5, 1843	37	108	145	19	0	0	0	1	4	0	5	0	0	200
Hadley, 1st ch.	*In* 1659	Rowland Ayres,	Jan. 12, 1848	Jan. 12, 1848	88	137	225	31	10	6	16	5	9	0	14	2	20	200
" 2d ch.	*Oct.* 26, 1831	Warren H. Beaman,	Sep. 15, 1841	Sep. 15, 1841	44	92	136	17	1	7	8	3	3	1	7	1	5	140
" Russell ch.	*July* 15, 1841	Franklin Tuxbury,	July 15, 1857	July 15, 1857	35	89	124	8	1	1	2	2	4	0	6	0	7	95
Hatfield,	*In* 1670	John M. Greene,	Oct. 20, 1857	Oct. 20, 1857	86	159	245	18	1	5	6	3	3	3	9	0	8	193
Leverett,	*On or before* *Nov.* 10, 1784	John Hartwell,	Sep. 29, 1859	Sep. 29, 1859	34	72	106	19	3	3	6	6	0	0	6	1	0	110
Pelham, Ev. cong. ch.	*Oct* 25, 1837	Hiram L Howard,		St. sup.	6	29	35	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	36
Prescott,	June 15, 1823	David Bancroft,	Oct. 20, 1838	June 8. 1858	16	29	45	5	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	70
South Hadley, 1st ch.	Before 1733	Hiram Mead,	Sep. 29, 1858	Sep. 29, 1858	90	188	278	47	13	8	21	4	10	0	14	6	8	200
Total, 18		16 Pastors, 1 s. s., 1 vacant chh.			1107	2120	3227	340	55	63	118	51	98	61	210	25	92	2663

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* James Bates, Granby, ord. Nov. 14, 1827; Roswell Hawks, Agent, South Hadley, ord. April 20, 1825; Edward Hitchcock, D. D., LL. D., Prof. Amherst Coll., ord June 21, 1821; William Tyler, Pawtucket, ord. Feb. 24, 1819; William S. Tyler, D. D., Prof Amherst College, ord. Oct. 5, 1859; Aaron Warner, Prof. Amherst, ord. Sept. 1, 1824; John Woodbridge, D. D., Hadley, ord. June 20, 1810; David Eastman, Amherst, ord. Feb. 12, 1840.—8. *Non-Resident:* Dana Goodsell, East Haven, Ct, ord. Sept. 27, 1837; John A. Nash, Editor, New York City, ord. Oct. 19, 1836; *Elsewhere enumerated:* Joseph H. Patrick, stated supply, Wellfleet, ord. Nov. 22, 1827.

*This church recently voted themselves letters and disbanded; but as none of them united with other churches before the first of Jan. 1860, they are still properly included. †"South Amherst" is not a town, but when the new church was formed it was called the "Congregational Church in South Amherst," to distinguish it from the "South Church in Amherst." ‡Absentees dropped from the record.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in February, May, August, and November.

JOHN W. UNDERHILL, North Amherst, Scribe; EDWARD S. DWIGHT, Amherst, Statistical Scribe.

13. MENDON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.			Admitted 1859.				Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Dover,	*Oct.* 23, 1839	*T. S. Norton,	Feb. 4, 1846	St. sup. 1860	9	22	31	6	3	1	4	1	2	0	3	0	0	35
Foxboro',	*Nov.* 25, 1779	Noadiah S. Dickinson,	May 27, 1846	Mar. 10, 1858	57	147	204	22	2	3	5	3	0	0	3	2	3	275
Franklin,	*Feb.* 16, 1738	Samuel Hunt,	July 17, 1839	Dec. 4, 1850	41	135	176	15	0	2	2	3	0	0	3	0	3	175
" South,	*Sep.* 13, 1855	*Robert Carver,	Nov. 1838	St. sup. 1860	8	16	24	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43
Mansfield,	*May* 9, 1838	Jacob Ide, Jr.	Mar. 26, 1856	Mar. 26, 1856	29	65	94	15	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	123
Medfield,	*Feb* 6, 1828	Andrew Bigelow,	Aug. 25, 1841	Sep. 12, 1855	27	86	113	7	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	1	7	110
Medway, 1st ch.	Prob. 1714	Jacob Roberts,	July 17, 1839	Oct. 9, 1856	40	96	136	15	1	2	3	2	0	0	2	1	5	177
" 2d ch.	*Oct.* 4, 1750	Jacob Ide, D. D.	Nov. 2, 1814	Nov. 2, 1814	75	154	229	25	12	1	13	6	3	0	9	4	2	171
" Village ch.	*Sep.* 7, 1838	David Sanford,	May 22, 1828	Oct. 3, 1838	58	146	204	35	1	2	3	7	4	0	11	1	5	125
Mendon,	*Aug.* 13, 1828	*No public services.*			9	25	34	9	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Milford,	*July* 15, 1741	James T. Woodbury,	Aug. 20, 1832	July 15, 1852	71	144	215	12	7	4	11	9	4	0	13	4	11	305
Walpole,	*Nov* 13, 1826	Joseph W. Healy,	Jan. 1, 1857	Sep. 11, 1859	43	95	138	30	5	3	8	6	1	0	7	2	1	155
Wrentham,	*Apr.* 13, 1692	William L. Ropes,	Sep. 14, 1853	Sep. 14, 1853	51	175	226	51	0	1	1	5	6	1	12	0	2	190
" North,	*July* 18, 1839	Franklin Davis,	Oct 6, 1847	St. sup.	11	30	41	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	60
Total, 14		10 Pastor, 3 s. s, 1 vacant ch.			529	1336	1865	248	32	20	52	46	21	1	68	15	39	1944

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* John Dwight, North Wrentham, ord. April 12, 1837; Sewall Harding, Sec. Cong. Board of Publication, Boston, ord. Jan. 17, 1821; Calvin Hitchcock, D. D, Wrentham, ord. Aug. 15, 1815; Asa Hixon, West Medway, ord Oct. 7, 1829; Caleb Kimball, Medway, ord. 1832; Andrew H. Reed, Mendon, ord. Sept. 23, 1829; Lot B. Sullivan, Wareham, ord. June 14, 1820.—7. *Non-Resident:* Thomas Williams, Providence, R. I., ord. May 1804. *Elsewhere enumerated:* Timothy D. P. Stone, stated supply, Amesbury Mills, ord. March 1, 1843.

*Not members of this Association.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in June, and December.

WILLIAM L. ROPES, Wrentham, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

14. MIDDLESEX SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.			Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Ashland,	*Jan.* 1835	None,			33	62	95	34	1	2	3	1	2	0	3	1	3	200
Concord,	*May* 22, 1826	None,			21	84	105	23	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	1	112
Framingham,	*Dec.* 8, 1701	Joseph C. Bodwell,	Apr. 3, 1839	June 30, 1852	78	197	275	31	8	5	13	6	1	0	7	2	6	255
" Saxonville,	*May* 26, 1833	None,			44	100	144	36	6	1	7	1	7	0	8	2	0	172
Holliston,	*Nov.* 20, 1728	Joshua T. Tucker,	Nov. 16, 1837	June 6, 1849	138	276	414	34	6	5	11	6	4	0	10	4	8	491
Hopkinton,	*Sep.* 2, 1724	John C. Webster,	Mar. 15, 1837	Dec. 19, 1838	53	115	168	14	1	0	1	6	1	0	7	0	7	150
Lincoln,	*Aug.* 18, 1747	None,			25	53	78	15	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	2	80
Marlboro',	*Mar.* 18, 1836	None,			49	133	182	24	9	2	11	3	1	0	4	3	8	275
Natick,	Feb. 1802	Charles M. Tyler,		May 19, 1859	60	148	208	20	3	8	11	5	14	2	21	0	7	330
" So, John Eliot ch.	*Nov.* 16, 1859	Edward E. Strong,	Nov. 16, 1859	Nov. 16, 1859	9	13	22	0	1	21	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Sherborn,	*Mar* 26, 1685	Edmund Dowse,	Oct. 10, 1838	Oct. 10, 1838	58	109	167	18	2	0	2	0	2	1	3	0	3	135
Southboro',	*Feb.* 17, 1831	William J. Breed,	June 10, 1835	June 23, 1858	56	108	164	31	0	2	2	0	3	1	4	0	0	
Stowe,	*Mar.* 11, 1839	None,			6	17	23	5	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0
Sudbury,	Aug. 1640	Erastus Dickinson,	Sep. 25, 1835	May 14, 1856	62	138	200	13	0	2	2	2	0	0	2	0	6	232
Wayland,	*May* 21. 1828	Adin H. Fletcher,	Oct. 15, 1845	Feb 2, 1860	48	86	134	38	1	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	2	125
Total, 15		9 Pastors, no s. s., 6 vacant chhs.			740	1639	2379	336	38	48	86	36	39	4	79	12	53	2607

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Birdsey G. Northrop, Saxonville, ord. March 10, 1847; Increase N. Tarbox, Sec. of Am. Ed. Soc., West Newton, or Boston, ord. Nov. 22, 1845; William M. Thayer, Editor, Franklin, ord. June 20, 1849.—3.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, April, July and October.

INCREASE N. TARBOX, West Newton, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

15. MIDDLESEX UNION ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Acton,	*Mar.* 13, 1832	Alpha Morton,	Feb. 14, 1844	St. sup.	79	121	200	60	1	1	2	4	0	0	4	1	0	125
Ashby,	*June* 12, 1776	James M. Bell,	July 21, 1858	July 21, 1858	61	120	181	31	11	6	17	5	4	0	9	5	1	210
Assabet, in Stowe,	*Sep* 23, 1852	Edward P. Tenney,	Oct. 19, 1859	St sup.	14	42	56	9	9	5	14	1	5	0	6	8	0	207
Boxboro',	*Apr.* 29, 1784	James H. Fitts,	Nov. 2, 1859	St. sup.	28	40	68	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70
Dunstable,	*May* 12, 1757	William C. Jackson,	Oct 14, 1835	Nov. 2, 1859	26	55	81	18	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	100
Fitchburg, Calv. ch.	*Jan.* 27, 1768	Alfred Emerson,	Oct. 15, 1845	June 2, 1858	111	233	344	52	4	9	13	4	2	0	6	1	5	400
Groton,	*July* 12, 1664	Edwin A. Bulkley,	Oct. 11, 1817	Sep. 18, 1850	57	157	214	25	4	4	8	5	3	1	9	2	2	200
Harvard,	*May* 17, 1821	John Dodge,	June 21, 1842	May 10, 1854	38	111	149	18	7	5	12	4	0	0	4	2	3	130
Lancaster,	*May* 22, 1839	None.			23	63	86	7	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	125
Leominster,	*Dec.* 25, 1822	Joseph W. Backus,	Sep 29, 1852	Jan. 14, 1858	74	163	237	50	0	4	4	2	3	0	5	2	2	240
Littleton,	*May* 14, 1840	Elihu Loomis,	Oct 22, 1851	St. sup.	17	35	52	6	0	2	2	1	3	0	4	0	2	60
Lunenburg,	*June* 10, 1835	William A. Mandell,	Apr 2, 1842	Jan. 2, 1856	33	72	105	12	0	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	2	120
Pepperell,	*Jan.* 27, 1747	Edward P. Smith,	June 11, 1856	June 11, 1856	100	186	286	46	7	2	9	9	6	2	17	2	4	200
Shirley,	*Mar.* 12, 1828	*Daniel H. Babcock,	Nov. 7, 1839	St. sup.	18	47	65	24	0	0	0	1	4	0	5	0	0	54
Townsend,	*Oct.* 16, 1734	Moses Patten,	June 7. 1860	June 7, 1860	73	182	255	14	21	2	23	4	2	10	16	7	3	240
Westford,	*Dec.* 25, 1828	Edwin R. Hodgman,	May 17, 1849	St. sup.	48	122	170	40	5	2	7	5	1	0	6	2	0	160
Total, 16		9 Pastors, 6 s. s. 1 vacant chh.			800	1749	2549	430	69	44	113	49	36	13	98	32	21	2611

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Daniel Butler, Sec. Mass. Bible Society, Groton, ord. Oct 31, 1838; Elisha W. Cook, Townsend, ord. Nov. 18, 1846; John E. Edwards, Lancaster, ord. April 6, 1840; Charles Hammond, Prin. of Lawrence Academy, Groton, ord. Oct. 9, 1855; Leonard Luce, Westford, ord. April 8, 1829; David Perry, Teacher, Brookfield, ord May 1828; George Trask, Anti-Tobacconist, Fitchburg, ord. Sept. 15, 1830.—7. *Non-Resident:* Bronson B. Beardsley, Hartford, Ct., ord. Oct. 8, 1850; James Means, Teacher, West Lebanon, N. H., ord. Jan. 9, 1840.

*Member of Plymouth Association. The "Trinitarian church," Fitchburg, last year inserted, is dropped, as not a Congregational church.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September, and November.

EDWIN A. BULKLEY, Groton, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.				Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Abington, 1st ch.	Prob. 1712	Frederick R Abbe,	Sep. 3, 1857	Sep. 3, 1857	61	112	173	10	1	2	3	3	1	2	6	1	2	210
" 2d ch.	*Aug.* 19, 1807	Henry L. Edwards,	July 14, 1857	St. sup. 1857	97	138	235	10	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	1	192
" 3d ch.	*Aug.* 27, 1813	Horace D. Walker,	Feb 15, 1844	Feb. 15, 1844	78	132	210	10	9	5	14	1	0	0	1	5	8	240
" North ch.	Oct. 13, 1839	None,			42	87	129	9	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	200
Berkley, Trin. cong. c.	*Sep.* 20. 1818	*James A. Roberts,		1856	14	29	43	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	54
Braintree, 1st ch.	*Sep* 10, 1707	R. S. Storrs, D. D.	July 3, 1811	July 3, 1811	46	139	185	20	6	0	6	7	2	0	9	2	7	130
" South,	*Nov.* 15, 1829	None,			26	58	84	8	0	0	0	2	4	2	8	0	0	150
Braintree and Weymouth, Union ch.	*Aug.* 14, 1811	Jonas Perkins,	June 14, 1815	June 14, 1815	53	118	171	12	7	3	10	6	0	0	6	2	12	150
Cohasset, 2d cong. ch.	*Nov.* 24, 1821	Frederick A. Reed,	Mar. 9, 1848	Mar. 9, 1848	19	77	96	9	0	1	1	3	2	0	5	0	0	153
Dorchester, 2d ch.	*Jan.* 1, 1808	James H. Means,	July 13, 1818	July 13, 1848	76	225	301	45	6	5	11	10	8	0	18	0	8	250
" Village ch.	*Mar.* 11, 1829	Theodore T. Munger,	Feb. 6, 1856	Feb. 6, 1856	41	101	142	20	6	2	8	0	1	0	1	4	0	125
" Port Norfolk, Tr. c	*May* 11, 1859	Marshall B. Angier,	June 8, 1857	May 23, 1860	12	16	28	3	0	28	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Easton,	Unknown.	{ L. Sheldon, D. D.	Oct. 24, 1810	Oct. 24, 1810														
		{ Lyman White,	Oct. 23, 1849	Oct. 24, 1855	32	80	112	19	5	0	5	4	3	0	7	6	3	243
E. & W. Bridgewater,	*June* 30, 1826	None,			51	67	118	15	1	2	3	1	2	0	3	1	0	73
Hingham,	Dec. 21, 1847	Eben. Porter Dyer,	Sep. 25, 1839	Jan. 4. 1849	14	27	41	8	3	1	4	0	2	0	2	0	2	90
Milton, 1st ch.	*Apr.* 21, 1678	Albert K. Teele,	July 20, 1844	Dec 18, 1850	36	83	119	22	2	0	2	4	0	0	4	1	0	70
" 2d Ev. cong. c.	Nov. 9, 1843	None,			8	33	41	4	4	1	5	1	0	0	1	1	0	100
Needham,	*May* 6, 1857	William B. Greene,	Nov. 15, 1855	St. sup. 1859	12	19	31	4	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	1	2	60
North Bridgewater, 1st	*Oct.* 15, 1740	None,			37	82	119	11	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	1	188
" South cong ch.	*Jan.* 3, 1837	Charles W. Wood,	Oct 29, 1839	Feb. 3, 1858	50	82	132	7	3	9	12	2	2	0	4	1	0	165
" Porter Ev.ch.	*Mar.* 6, 1850	Charles L. Mills,	April 1837	Aug. 11, 1852	69	134	203	3	1	0	1	3	5	0	8	1	0	225
Quincy, Ev. cong. ch.	Aug. 16, 1832	Oliver Brown,	Dec. 2, 1857	St. sup 1859	34	97	131	20	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	2	90
Randolph, 1st ch.	*May* 28, 1731	Henry E. Dwight,	Dec. 29, 1859	Dec. 29, 1859	40	83	123	8	9	1	10	1	4	0	5	5	0	132
" East, 2d ch.	*Dec.* 15, 1818	None,			25	52	77	2	1	0	1	1	2	0	3	0	0	60
" Winthrop c.	*Dec.* 30, 1856	Ezekiel Russell, D. D.	June 22, 1836	Feb. 3, 1857	39	71	110	1	0	3	3	0	1	0	1	0	5	190
Scituate, N'th, Tr. c. c.	Jan. 18, 1635	William Leonard,	July 7, 1844	St. sup.	28	52	80	3	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Sharon,	*Jan.* 25, 1741	Lebbeus R. Phillips,	July 29, 1841	July 29, 1841	38	87	125	4	0	1	1	0	3	0	3	0	2	130
Stoughton, 1st ch.	*Aug.* 10, 1774	Thomas Wilson,	Mar. 1, 1848	Mar. 13, 1856	34	66	100	23	12	1	13	3	1	0	4	5	6	120
Weymouth, North, 1st	July 1623	Joshua Emery,	May 13, 1835	Jan. 25, 1838	45	86	131	5	2	1	3	3	1	0	4	0	0	100
" South, 2d	*Sep.* 8, 1723	James P. Terry,	Dec. 4, 1839	July 6, 1848	33	75	108	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	180
" Union ch.	Nov. 1. 1842	Stephen H. Hayes,	Aug. 20, 1844	April 8, 1858	20	60	80	4	4	2	6	2	0	1	3	4	0	200
" North, Pilgrim c.	*Mar.* 11, 1852	Sam'l L. Rockwood,	Mar 11, 1840	Mar. 2, 1858	17	48	65	2	5	1	6	1	0	0	1	3	2	165
" East, cong. ch.	*Mar.* 4, 1843	Edmund S. Potter,	June 7, 1843	May 4, 1851	55	83	138	4	1	2	3	2	10	0	12	0	7	150
Total, 33		24 Pastors, 4 s. s., 6 vacant chhs.			1272	2699	3971	332	91	74	165	73	57	5	135	43	74	4715

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* L. Root Eastman, (stated supply at Troy, N. H.,) Needham, ord. Nov. 23, 1837; Willard M. Harding, Quincy, ord. May 20, 1840; Edwin Leonard, ord. March 25, 1852; Dennis Powers, South Abington, ord. Dec. 5, 1838; Isaac C. White, Roxbury, ord. Oct. 23, 1850; Philo B. Wilcox, East Bridgewater, ord. May 14, 1851.—6. *Elsewhere enumerated:* Paul Couch, North Cambridge, ord. March 1827.

*Member of Old Colony Association.

Association meets on the last Tuesday in January, April, July, and October.

THEODORE T. MUNGER, Milton, P. O. Scituate.

17. OLD COLONY ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.			Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Dartmouth, South,	*Apr.* 1807	Martin S. Howard,	Nov. 20, 1856	Mar. 19, 1859	24	62	86	23	2	2	4	1	0	0	1	1	2	103
Edgartown,	1641	Edwin H. Nevin,	1839	St. sup. 1860	27	65	92	4	5	0	5	1	0	0	1	5	2	110
Fairhaven,	*July* 23, 1794	John Willard,	Jan. 25, 1855	Jan. 25, 1855	74	170	244	34	4	3	7	6	3	1	10	4	6	347
Marion,	*Oct.* 13, 1703	Leander Cobb,	Sep. 27, 1827	Dec. 1, 1841	34	64	98	8	5	2	7	1	0	0	1	3	2	122
Mattapoisett,	*July* 27, 1736	Wm. L. Parsons,	Aug. 24, 1841	Mar. 10, 1859	75	124	199	12	10	2	12	1	2	0	3	4	1	150
Middleboro', Central,	*Mar.* 25, 1847	None,			58	116	174	6	0	1	1	5	0	0	5	0	1	225
Nantucket,		None,			75	277	352	76	9	1	10	3	2	0	5	8	0	270
New Bedford, 1st ch.	1696	Asahel Cobb,	Dec. 1825	Nov. 11, 1857	16	45	61	19	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	67
" North ch.	*Oct.* 15, 1807	Henry W. Parker,	May 9, 1848	Aug. 8, 1856	119	262	381	62	4	2	6	7	4	0	11	2	8	325
" Trinit. ch.	*Nov.* 15, 1831	Wheelock Craig,	Aug. 8, 1849	Dec. 4, 1850	66	128	194	20	3	1	4	1	2	0	3	0	2	200
" Pacific ch	*Oct.* 1844	Timothy Stowe,	Apr. 11, 1854	Apr. 11, 1854	35	92	127	10	1	0	1	0	6	0	6	0	1	308
Rochester, Centre,	*Oct.* 13, 1703	Sumner Clark,		St. sup.	21	74	95	22	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	0	100
" North,	1758	None,			6	8	14	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wareham,	*Dec.* 15, 1749	Timothy F. Clary,	Dec. 12, 1849	Apr. 18, 1860	37	98	135	16	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	150
Total, 14		9 Pastors, 2 s. s., 3 vacant chhs.			667	1585	2252	313	44	14	58	32	22	1	55	27	25	2477

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Daniel C. Burt, Berkley, ord. (when?); Nathaniel Cobb, Evangelist, Kingston, ord. Oct 31, 1827; Sylvester Holmes, New Bedford, ord. (when?); Samuel Nott, Jr., Wareham, ord. Feb. 6, 1812—4. *Non-Resident:* Homer Barrows, Plaistow, N. H., ord. June 1, 1836; Azariah Eldridge, pastor of Fort Street Presbyterian Church, Detroit, ord Oct. 15, 1847; William Gould, Lodi, Illinois, ord. (when?); Melancthon G. Wheeler, (where?) ord. Oct. 13, 1831. *Elsewhere enumerated:* James A. Roberts, Berkley, ord. Oct. 20, 1824; Isaiah C. Thacher, Gloucester, ord. Dec. 25, 1844; Eli W. Harrington, North Beverly, ord. April 26, 1834.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in April, July, and October.

HENRY W. PARKER, New Bedford, Scribe; TIMOTHY STOWE, New Bedford, Statistical Scribe.

18. PLYMOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.			Admitted 1859.				Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Bridgewater, Trin. ch.	Oct. 17, 1821	None,			27	59	86	16	1	4	5	1	5	0	6	0	0	95
" Scotland ch.	*July* 4, 1836	James C. Seagrave,	Dec 3, 1851	St. sup.	9	28	37	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
Carver,	*May* 13, 1733	John Moore,		1852	St. sup.	24	59	83	10	2	0	2	4	0	0	4	0	3	50
Dighton,	1710	Enoch Sanford,	Oct. 2,	1823	May 18, 1856	14	24	38	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	65
E. Bridgewater, Tr. c.	Nov. 14, 1849	Baalis Sanford,	Oct. 4,	1827	Apr 3, 1850	24	33	57	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	85
Halifax,	*Oct.* 16, 1734	Timothy G. Brainerd,	Nov. 5,	1840	June 27, 1855	19	32	51	3	1	0	1	2	1	0	3	0	0	170
Hanover, 1st ch.	*Dec.* 5, 1728	Joseph Freeman,	Mar. 10,	1844	Apr. 18, 1855	11	43	54	10	0	0	0	2	0	1	3	0	0	80
" 2d ch.	Apr. 12, 1854	James Aiken,	Aug. 30,	1843	June 16, 1859	18	34	52	3	0	3	3	0	2	0	2	0	0	80
Hanson,	*Aug.* 31, 1748	None,			14	42	56	10	2	0	2	1	1	0	2	2	0	120
Kingston,	*May* 19, 1828	Joseph Peckham,	Nov. 30,	1842	St. sup.	25	66	91	20	1	2	3	2	2	0	4	0	1	65
Marshfield, 1st ch.	1632	Ebenezer Alden, Jr.	Nov. 5,	1843	Oct. 30, 1850	18	34	52	5	1	0	1	1	3	0	4	1	0	156
" East, 2d Trin. ch.	July 4, 1835	Daniel D. Tappan,	Nov 14,	1826	St. sup.	20	31	51	4	0	1	1	0	3	0	3	0	0	70
Middleboro', 1st ch.	*Dec.* 26, 1694	I. W. Putnam, D. D.	Mar. 15,	1815	Oct. 28, 1835	56	124	180	32	5	1	6	4	2	0	6	3	2	170
" North, 1st ch.	1748	Elbridge G. Little,	Oct. 12,	1848	Apr. 13, 1859	41	81	122	2	1	2	3	3	0	0	3	1	0	149
Plymouth, 2d ch.	*Nov.* 8, 1738	None,			59	83	142	27	4	2	6	1	5	0	6	0	2	87
" 3d ch.	*Oct.* 1, 1801	Nath'l. B Blanchard,	July 15,	1856	St sup.	52	158	210	8	1	1	2	3	1	0	4	0	1	200
" Chiltonville,	June 18, 1818	Samuel Woodbury,			St. sup.	16	30	46	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	30
Plympton,	*Oct.* 27, 1698	J. W. Tarlton,			St. sup.	20	83	103	5	0	0	0	4	1	0	5	0	0	120
Total, 18		8 Pastors, 7 s. s., 3 vacant chhs.			467	1044	1511	169	19	18	37	30	26	1	57	7	9	1852

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Timothy Davis, Kingston, ord. Nov. 16, 1808; Ebenezer Gay, Bridgewater, ord. Jan. 7, 1818; Stetson Raymond, Bridgewater, ord. April 9, 1817; David Brigham, Bridgewater, ord. Dec. 29, 1819—4. *Non-Resident:* A. B. Foster, Westminster, Vt., ord. June 16, 1844.

Association meets on the third Tuesday in February, May, August, and November.

EBENEZER ALDEN, Jr., Marshfield, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

19. SALEM ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exe.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Beverly, Dane-st. ch.	*Nov.* 9, 1802	Joseph Abbott,	Oct. 23, 1834	Oct. 23, 1834	81	158	242	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	215
" 4th ch.	1834	*Eli W. Harrington,	Apr. 26, 1837	St. sup.	7	23	30	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	63
Boxford, 1st ch.	*In* 1702	Wm. S. Coggin,	May 9, 1838	May 9, 1838	40	85	125	11	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	215
Danvers, 1st ch.	*Nov.* 16, 1689	M. P. Braman, D. D.	Apr 12, 1826	Apr. 12, 1826	60	120	180	6	4	0	4	1	1	0	2	2	4	200
Lynn, 1st ch.	1632	Parsons Cooke, D. D.	June 20, 1826	May 4, 1836	80	208	288	23	11	9	20	2	4	1	7	7	16	400
" Central ch.	*Dec.* 11, 1850	Jotham B. Sewall,	Feb. 28, 1855	Feb. 28, 1855	22	59	81	14	0	7	7	2	6	0	8	0	2	229
Lynnfield, 2d ch.	*Jan.* 18, 1854	Allen Gannett,	Jan. 20, 1836	St. sup.	2	9	11	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	40
Marblehead,	*Aug.* 13, 1684	Benjamin R. Allen,	Sep. 11, 1830	Nov. 8, 1851	40	295	335	50	4	1	5	7	1	0	8	0	5	250
" 3d cong. ch	*Sep* 28, 1858	Francis Homes,	Oct. 29, 1854	St. sup. 1860	20	46	66	5	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Salem, Tabernacle ch	*Aug.* 1, 1629	†			80	321	401	25	8	8	16	10	3	0	13	4	0	320
Saugus, 1st ch.	1732	Levi Brigham,	Mar. 15, 1837	May 7, 1851	17	37	54	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	130
Swampscott, 1st ch.	*July* 15, 1846	Jonas B. Clark,	Nov. 5, 1842	July 15, 1846	8	47	55	3	1	1	2	1	3	0	4	0	4	221
Topsfield,	1663	Anson McLoud,	Dec. 8, 1841	Dec. 8, 1841	50	116	166	13	3	1	4	0	3	2	5	2	1	200
Wenham, cong. ch.	Oct 8, 1641	John S. Sewall,	Apr. 20, 1859	Apr. 20, 1859	37	73	110	19	2	2	4	3	1	0	4	1	3	212
Total, 14		10 Pastors, 3 s. s , 1 vacant chh.			547	1597	2144	186	37	30	67	27	23	3	53	18	37	2835

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Joseph Tracy, Sec. Mass. Colonization Society, Beverly, ord. June 26, 1821; Samuel M. Worcester, D.D., Salem, ord. Jan. 14, 1832; Allen Lincoln, Lynn, ord (when ?).—3.

*Member of Old Colony Association. † Mr. Charles R. Palmer has accepted a call to the pastorate.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September, and November.

JONAS B. CLARK, Swampscott, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

20. SUFFOLK NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Boston, Old South ch.	*May* 12–16 1669	G. W. Blagden, D. D. Jacob M. Manning,	Dec. 25, 1827 Jan. 3, 1854	Sep. 28, 1836 Mar 11, 1857	93	328	421		10	17	27	8	3	0	11	4	2	100
" Bowdoin-st. c.	*July* 18, 1825	Edwin Johnson,	1852	June 29, 1859	116	280	396	40	13	12	25	3	19	0	22	4	6	304
" Salem ch.	*Sep.* 2, 1827	George W. Field,	Nov. 15, 1853	Oct. 15, 1856	173	343	516	220	8	7	15	2	8	0	10	2	6	400
" Central ch.	*May* 11, 1835	†John E. Todd,	Feb. 2, 1860	Feb. 2, 1860	130	282	412		9	1	10	4	20	0	24	4		428
Cambridge, 1st ch.	*Feb.* 1, 1636	John A. Albro, D. D.	Nov. 21, 1827	Apr. 15, 1835	108	246	354		7	11	18	1	5	0	6	3	4	200
" Port, 1st ch.	*Sep.* 20, 1827	None,			108	250	358	63	8	5	13	2	16	0	18	2	18	250
" " 2d ch	*Mar* 10, 1842	George E. Allen,		May 20, 1858	May 20, 1858	34	53	87	19	0	16	16	0	1	0	1	0	5	161
" North, Holmes c.	*Sep.* 23, 1857	None,			37	53	90	10	1	4	5	2	0	0	2	0	8	90
Charlestown, 1st ch.	*Nov.* 2, 1632	James B. Miles,	Jan. 2, 1855	Jan. 2, 1855	96	214	310	58	5	6	11	3	7	0	10	3	10	433
" Winthrop ch	*Jan.* 9, 1833	Abbott E. Kittredge,	Sep 14, 1859	Sep. 14, 1859	107	252	359	50	9	11	20	4	21	0	25		24	648
Chelsea, Winnis't ch.	*Sep.* 20, 1841	Albert H. Plumb,	Nov. 10, 1858	Nov. 10, 1858	113	214	327	51	9	25	34	3	16	0	19	2	15	487
" Broadway ch.	*Apr.* 2, 1851	Joseph A. Copp, D. D.		Jan. 7, 1852	90	132	222	10	8	25	33	2	4	0	6		8	510
Malden, South,—																		
Winthrop ch.	*Mar.* 16, 1848	None,			13	29	42	6	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	95
* Chapel ch.	*Dec.* 4, 1858	Luther H. Angier,	Mar 4, 1840	St. sup. 1859	17	19	36	0	7	21	28	0	0	0	0	1	2	151
Medford, Mystic ch.	*July* 6, 1847	Elias Nason,	May 5, 1852	Nov. 10, 1858	32	100	132	20	3	11	14	2	2	0	4	0	1	210
Needham, West,	*Sep* 6, 1798	Abijah R. Baker,	April 1838	Jan. 1856	47	73	120	34	2	0	2	2	4	0	6		1	125
Newton, 1st ch.	*July* 20, 1664	Daniel L. Furber,	Dec. 1, 1847	Dec. 1, 1847	59	108	167	37	5	1	6	4	4	0	8	3	6	182
North Chelsea,	*May* 9, 1828	‖Marcus Ames,	June 28, 1854	St. sup. 1859	7	21	28	6	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	91
Reading, Old South,	*Feb.* 21, 1770	William Barrows,	Sep. 4, 1845	Feb. 20, 1856	53	128	181	19	1	1	2	3	2	0	5	0	12	255
Somerville, 1st ch.	*May* 3, 1855	David T. Packard,	Sep. 21 1854	St. sup. 1859	48	77	125	10	10	5	15	0	4	0	4	5	5	472
Total. 20		11 Pastors, 4 s. s., 3 vacant chhs.			1481	3202	4683	653	116	181	297	46	138	0	184	33	133	5592

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Rufus Anderson, D. D., Sec. A. B C. F. M., Boston, ord. May 10, 1826; George C. Beckwith, D D, Sec Peace Society, Boston, ord. July 1827; Asa Bullard, Sec. Mass. S S Society, Boston, ord. Jan 13, 1832; Wm. Bushnell, M. D., Physician, Boston, ord Aug 8, 1832; Dorus Clark, Waltham, ord Feb 23, 1823; Isaac P. Langworthy, Sec. Am. Cong. Union, Chelsea, ord. Nov. 10, 1841; Edwards A Park. D. D, Prof. of Theology, Andover, ord. Dec. 31, 1831; Francis G Pratt, Middleboro', ord Oct. 19, 1849; Otis Rockwood, Cambridgeport, ord. July 1, 1818—9. *Non-Resident:* Edward W. Gilman, pastor, Bangor, Me., ord. Dec. 4, 1849; Alexander W. McClure, (where?) ord. Dec 23, 1832; J. H. Northrup. Millville, N. J., ord. (when?); George Richards, Hartford, Ct., ord. Oct. 8, 1845; Jared B. Waterbury, D. D., (where?); ord (when?); John Whitney, Westford, ord. (when?) *Elsewhere enumerated:* E. P. Marvin, pastor, Medford.

*These two churches now (July 1860) worship together.

†Not a member of this Association. ‖Member of Worcester North Association.

Association meets on the fourth Tuesday in February, April, September, October, and December, and on the third Tuesday in June.

GEORGE E. ALLEN, Cambridgeport, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

21. SUFFOLK SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Boston, Park-st. ch.	*Feb* 27, 1809	Andrew L. Stone,	Sep. 3, 1844	Jan. 25, 1849	300	614	914	120	23	20	43	2	16	0	18	7	13	578
" Essex-st. Un. ch.	*June* 10, 1822	Neh. Adams, D. D.	Dec. 17, 1829	Mar. 26, 1834	150	361	511	30	12	8	20	6	15	0	21	4	7	214
" Pine-st. ch.	*Sep* 2, 1827	Henry M. Dexter,	Nov. 6, 1844	Apr. 18, 1849	93	234	327	46	0	4	4	3	12	0	15	0	4	943
" Mariners' ch.	*Jan.* 20, 1830	†Elijah Kellogg,	June, 1844	St. sup 1855	93	38	131	3	46	6	52	‖	1	0	1	8	3	113
" Mt. Vernon c.	*June* 1, 1842	Edward N. Kirk, D. D.	Oct. 23, 1828	June 1, 1842	254	443	697	198	S	25	33	4	24	3	31	3	12	351
" Shawmut ch	*Nov.* 20, 1845	None,			77	169	246		0	4	4	2	11	0	13	0	0	350
" South, Phillips c.	*Dec.* 10, 1823	Edmund K. Alden,	Jan. 2, 1850	Sep. 21, 1859	67	134	201	46	8	25	33	1	2	1	4	3	2	403
* " " Ch of the Unity,	*Aug.* 16, 1845	Charles S. Porter,					45		0	0	0					0	0	0
* " " Payson ch.	*Oct.* 14, 1857		Aug. 1, 1832	St. sup. 1857	41	78	119		4	1	5	1	2	0	3			250
" East, Maverick c.	*May* 31, 1836	†Thomas N. Haskell,	Feb. 7, 1855	June 24, 1858	114	283	397	10	16	13	29	2	18	0	20	7	9	579
Brighton, Evang. ch.	Sep. 13, 1827	††			29	89	118	31	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	140
Brookline, Harvard c.	*Aug.* 26, 1841	†J. Lewis Diman,	Dec. 9, 1856	Mar. 15, 1860	47	93	140	5	1	3	4	2	1	0	3	0	0	225
Cambridge, East, 2d c.	*Sep.* 8, 1842	None,			44	57	101	34	3	2	5	1	3	0	4	2	9	156
Canton, Ev. cong. ch.	*July* 3, 1828	‡			6	25	31	6	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	100
Dedham, South,	*June* 23, 1736	Moses M. Colburn.	June 12, 1851	Oct. 28, 1852	27	63	90	13	4	2	6	2	0	0	2	2	2	180
Needham, Grantville,	*Feb* 24, 1848	Edward S. Atwood,	Oct. 23, 1856	Oct. 23, 1856	28	46	74	7	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	3	80
Newton, West, 2d ch.	Oct. 21, 1781	None,			53	88	141	21	5	9	14	4	4	0	8	2	0	185
" Eliot ch.	July 1, 1845	Joshua W. Wellman,	June 18, 1851	June 11, 1856	69	151	220	27	3	16	19	2	10	0	12	0	5	278
" Auburndale,	*Nov.* 14, 1850	Edward W. Clark.	Jan. 1. 1850	July 1, 1857	35	56	91	21	1	2	3	2	0	0	2	0	4	135
Roxbury, Eliot ch.	Sep 18, 1834	A. C. Thompson, D.D.	July 27, 1842	July 27, 1842	128	243	371	66	18	12	30	9	20	1	30	4	11	520
" Vine-st. ch.	*Apr.* 9, 1857	John O. Means,	Dec 3, 1851	June 3, 1857	38	60	98	8	10	10	20	0	4	0	4	4	4	207
Waltham, Tr. cong. c	*Sep.* 28, 1820	Richard B. Thurston,	Nov. 11, 1846	Jan. 13, 1859	20	74	94	20	6	4	10	1	1	0	2	1	0	120
Watertown, Phillips c.	*Apr.* 17, 1855	Stephen R. Dennen,	July 11, 1855	July 11, 1855	32	72	104	8	5	8	13	0	0	0	0	3	0	115
W. Cambridge, Ev c.	*Dec.* 14, 1842	Daniel R. Cady,	Oct. 27, 1845	Feb. 14, 1856	35	77	112	12	1	5	6	1	2	5	8	0	3	164
W. Roxbury, S. Ev. c.	*June* 11, 1835	Thomas Laurie,	Mar. 6, 1842	May 7, 1851	28	60	88	13	0	3	3	3	4	0	7	0	1	180
" Jamaica Plain,—Mather ch.	*Feb* 15, 1853	Alonzo H. Quint,	Dec. 27, 1853	Dec. 27, 1853	43	70	113	25	1	5	6	3	0	0	3	0	4	118
Total, 26		18 Pastors, 2 s. s. (to 3 chhs.), 5 vacant chhs.			1851	3678	5571	770	175	188	363	51	154	10	215	50	97	6741

In addition to the above, there have been organized since the year included in the tables.—the *Springfield St. ch*, *Boston*, organized Jan. 4, 1860, John L. Graves, pastor, ord. Jan. 4, 1860,—and the *Oak Place ch., Boston*, organized June 1860, Charles Smith, stated supply, ord. Oct. 10, 1847.

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* John W. Alvord, (of Newton,) Sec. of Am. Tract Society, Boston, ord. Sept. 16, 1836; Joseph S. Clark. D. D, (of West Newton,) Cor. Sec. of Cong. Library Association, Boston, ord. Dec. 21, 1831; ††Richard G Greene, ord. June 25, 1856. has accepted a call to Brighton; Henry B. Hooker, D. D., Sec. Mass. Home Miss. Society, Boston, ord. Sept. 1825; Austin Phelps, D. D, Prof in Theol Sem., Andover, ord. March 30, 1842; Samuel H. Riddel, Boston, ord. June 27, 1827; Calvin E. Stowe, D. D., Prof. in Theol. Sem., Andover. ord. April, 1833; Selah B. Treat. Sec A. B C. F. M., Boston, ord. March 24, 1836; Jonathan E. Woodbridge, teacher, Auburndale, ord. (when?).—9. *Non-Resident:* Lyman Beecher, D. D, Brooklyn, N. Y., ord. June 1798; Thomas O. Rice, pastor of Circular ch., Charleston, S C., ord. Jan. 1, 1845.

*These two churches, which had previously worshipped together, were united Feb. 21, 1860, under the name of the " E Street church "

†Not members of this Association. ‡Supplied by Ezra Haskell, a licentiate, who has accepted a call to the pastorate. ‖None heard of by pastor or church.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September, and November.

RICHARD G. GREENE, Brighton, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

22. TAUNTON ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Attleboro', 1st ch. W'st	1710	*Benjamin C. Chase,	Jan. 8, 1850	St. sup. 1857	28	88	116	15	0	4	4	1	1	0	2	0	4	115
" 2d ch. East	*Nov.* 30, 1748	None,			63	163	226	30	4	1	5	2	2	0	4	2	1	150
Berkley, 1st ch.	*Nov.* 2, 1737	None,			64	113	177	22	32	0	32	4	0	0	4	12	0	190
Fall River, 1st ch.	Jan. 9, 1816	None,			41	141	182	16	4	5	9	1	3	0	4	4	1	220
" Central ch.	Nov 10, 1842	Eli Thurston,	Jan. 8, 1838	Mar. 21, 1849	94	161	255	26	5	4	9	1	7	0	8	3	2	190
Freetown, Assonet,	*Apr.* 24, 1807	Abel G. Duncan,	May 13, 1828	St. sup. 1856	7	16	23	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	25
Lakeville,	*Oct.* 6, 1728	None,					100		7	1	8	2	0	0	2	7	0	90
Norton,	*Apr.* 3, 1832	None,			40	79	119	32	3	1	4	1	1	0	2	3	2	100
Pawtucket,	Apr. 27, 1829	Const. Blodgett, D. D.	Oct. 19, 1830	July 27, 1836	85	259	344	60	4	3	7	1	6	1	8	3	8	285
Raynham,	Oct. 19, 1731	John Haskell,	Dec. 25, 1850	Jan. 5, 1859	68	133	201	21	1	2	3	1	1	1	3	0	0	272
Rehoboth,	*Nov.* 29, 1721	†Alexander C. Childs,		St. sup. 1860	33	86	119	7	4	0	4	0	4	0	4	3	0	146
Seekonk,	1643	James O. Barney,	Feb. 4, 1824	Feb. 4, 1824	40	79	119	15	3	6	9	1	0	0	1	3	8	150
Taunton, 1st ch. West	*May* 1637	{ Alvan Cobb, { Thos. T. Richmond,	Apr. 19, 1815 July 17, 1832	Apr. 19, 1815 May 16, 1860	36	79	115	21	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	80
" Trin. cong. ch.	*Aug.* 17, 1821	Erastus Maltby,	Sep. 29, 1824	Jan. 18, 1826	110	298	408	37	3	6	9	5	4	2	11	2	4	360
" Winslow ch.	*Jan.* 12, 1837	Mortimer Blake,	Dec. 4, 1839	Dec. 4, 1855	72	124	196	35	0	5	5	1	2	0	3	0	2	235
" cong. ch. East	*June* 16, 1853	James R. Cushing,	Aug. 12, 1829	St. sup 1851	5	16	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	94
Westport, Pacific u. c.	*May* 31, 1858	*Isaac Dunham,	Mar. 29, 1835	St. sup. 1858	5	7	12	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	100
Total, 17		8 Pastors, 5 s. s., 5 vacant chhs.			791	1812	2733	341	71	40	111	23	31	4	58	43	32	2802

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* John Sandford, Taunton, ord. April 24, 1816; Augustine Root, (where?) ord. May 20, 1858; Charles D. Lothrop, Andover, ord. Dec. 14, 1854; John D. Smith, Douglas, ord. (when?)—4. *Non-Resident:* Franklin Holmes, New York, ord. Sept. 15, 1852. *Elsewhere enumerated:* Robert Carver, stated supply, South Franklin; Samuel Woodbury, stated supply, Plymouth.

*Not members of the Association. †Member of Essex North Association.

Association meets on the last Tuesday in March, July, and November.

MORTIMER BLAKE, Taunton, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

23. VINEYARD SOUND ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Barnstable, West,	*In* 1616	Hiram Carlton,	Jan. 4, 1838	Mar. 20, 1853	33	46	79	4	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	75
" Cotuit,	*Aug.* 17, 1670	Elisha Bacon,	Oct 19, 1827	St. sup.	5	23	28	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
" Centreville,	*May* 23, 1840	William H. Bessom,	Feb. 23, 1860	Feb. 23, 1860	27	62	89	12	2	1	3	5	0	0	5	1	1	120
Chilmark,	1699—1700	None,			2	14	16	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Falmouth, 1st ch.	*In* 1708	James P. Kimball,		June 20, 1860	53	141	194	32	4	6	10	11	4	1	16	1	6	150
" East,	*June* 20, 1821	George Ford,	Oct. 7, 1846	May 21, 1856	18	29	47	7	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	60
" North,	*Aug.* 15, 1833	*Levi Wheaton,	Jan. 23, 1850	St. sup.	51	56	107	16	22	2	24	0	0	0	0	9	11	50
" East, 2d ch.	*Jan.* 3, 1849	†Elijah Demond,	Mar. 7, 1821	St. sup.	14	40	54	2	2	3	5	0	3	0	3	1	2	78
Sandwich,	*In* 1649	William Carruthers,	June 16, 1858	June 16, 1858	41	88	129	4	0	5	5	2	2	0	4	0	0	109
" Monument,	*July* 9, 1833	‡			10	22	32	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tisbury, 1st ch.	About 1700	None,			14	24	38	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
" Holmes Hole,	May 9, 1844	None,			3	9	12	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total, 12		5 Pastors, 3 s. s., 4 vacant chhs.			271	554	825	95	33	17	50	22	9	1	32	13	22	632

OTHER MEMBERS.—None.

*Member of Essex South Association. †Member of Mendon Association. ‡Supplied by Levi Little, a licentiate.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in May, and October.

WILLIAM CARRUTHERS, Sandwich, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

24. WOBURN ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Bedford,	*July* 15, 1730	Henry J. Patrick,	Nov. 16, 1854	Nov. 16, 1851	49	137	186	16	5	2	7	3	1	0	4	3	3	190
Billerica,	*Apr.* 30, 1829	Jesse G. D. Stearns,	May 10, 1843	May 10, 1843	15	50	65	17	0	1	1	4	3	0	7	0	3	50
Burlington,	*Oct* 29, 1735	None,			14	27	41	10	3	1	4	1	4	0	5	0	2	80
Carlisle, Ev. ch.	*Feb.* 28, 1781	Josiah Ballard,	Aug. 5, 1835	Sep. 15, 1859	14	52	66	7	1	4	5	1	3	0	4	1	0	75
Malden, 1st Tr. c. ch.	*In* 1649	Charles E. Reed,	Apr 7, 1858	Apr. 7, 1858	53	116	169	21	8	13	21	3	8	0	11	0	4	200
Medford, 1st Tr. c. ch.	*Nov.* 1823	Elihu P. Marvin,	Jan. 23, 1845	Feb. 25, 1852	39	112	151	34	2	2	4	0	12	1	13	1	3	130
Melrose,	*July* 11, 1848	*Edward H. Buck,	Oct. 1858	Sep. 14, 1859	32	48	80	0	1	11	12	0	0	0		0	1	120
North Reading,	June 29, 1720	Thomas N. Jones,	May 24, 1848	Oct. 19, 1853	17	41	58	5	2	2	4	1	0	0	1	2	4	95
Reading, Bethesda ch.	*Apr.* 17, 1849	William H. Willcox,	Mar. 5, 1851	July 2, 1857	66	101	167	16	3	2	5	4	2	0	6	0	12	285
South Reading,	*Nov. 5,* 1645	None,			81	116	197	24	5	0	5	2	1	0	3	5	0	265
Stoneham,	*July* 2, 1729	William J. Batt,	Sep. 29, 1859	Sep. 29, 1859	34	81	115	13	0	0	0	2	4	0	6	0	0	129
Wilmington,	*Oct.* 24, 1733	Samuel H. Tolman,	Aug. 14, 1856	Aug 14, 1856	28	75	103	14	2	0	2	0	4	0	4	2	0	120
Winchester,	*Nov.* 19, 1840	Reuben T. Robinson,	Oct. 27, 1852	Oct. 27, 1852	129	210	339	20	4	6	10	5	2	1	8	1	6	310
Woburn, 1st ch.	*Aug.* 14, 1642	Daniel March,	Apr. 29, 1845	Oct. 1, 1856	205	355	560	43	10	17	27	4	12	0	16	4	7	418
" North,	*Nov.* 22, 1849	None,			8	29	37	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	115
Total, 15		12 Pastors, no s. s., 3 vacant chhs.			784	1550	2334	243	46	61	107	30	56	2	88	19	45	2582

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Joseph B. Johnson, Reading, ord. Jan. 4, 1855; Abel Patten, Billerica, ord. Feb. 7, 1832; Samuel Sewall, Burlington, ord. April 13, 1814.—3. *Non-Resident:* John Lawrence, Salem, N. H., ord. May 5, 1853. *Enumerated elsewhere:* William Barrows, Pastor, Reading; William C. Whitcomb, stated supply, Lynnfield; Joseph E. Swallow, pastor, Southampton.

Others, included last year, are now omitted in accordance with a new Rule of the Association, viz. Dana Cloyes, South Reading; George Gannett, Teacher, Boston; Alexander J. Sessions, Salem; Charles P. Grosvenor, Canterbury, Ct.; Joseph D. Hull, Teacher, Hartford, Ct.—The resident portion will be included in table 28.

*Not a member of the Association.

Association meets on the third Tuesday of every month except April, August, and October.

CHARLES E. REED, Malden, Scribe and Statistical Scribe.

25. WORCESTER CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.			Admitted 1859.				Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Auburn,	Jan. 25, 1776	*Darwin Adams,	July 16, 1828	St. sup.	50	88	138	32	2	0	2	3	0	0	3	1	1	107
Barre, Ev. cong. ch.	Aug. 15, 1827	None,			51	134	185	53	1	6	7	4	0	0	4	3	0	240
Berlin, 1st ch.	Apr. 7, 1779	Wm A. Houghton,	July 5, 1843	Oct. 26, 1853	40	84	124	15	20	0	20	0	0	0	0	7	3	145
Boylston,	Oct. 6, 1743	*Daniel Wight,	Sep. 28, 1842	St. sup.	43	88	131	28	1	0	1	2	4	0	6	0	2	131
Clinton,	*Nov.* 14, 1844	W. W. Winchester,	Mar. 23, 1851	Mar. 23, 1851	66	148	214	46	10	19	29	2	9	1	12	4	11	355
Holden,	*Dec.* 28, 1742	Wm P. Paine, D. D.,	Oct 24, 1833	Oct 24, 1833	102	241	343	49	1	4	5	4	0	0	4	0	1	250
Leicester,	*Probably*	John Nelson, D D	Mar. 4, 1812	Mar. 4, 1812														
Leicester,	*Mar.* 21, 1731	Amos H Coolidge,	Apr. 21, 1857	Apr. 21, 1857	90	156	246	35	7	2	9	10	5	0	15	3	2	250
Northboro',	*Apr.* 12, 1832	S. S. Ashley,	Aug. 1, 1849	June 16, 1852	26	67	93	28	3	2	5	3	2	0	5	1	1	150
Oxford,	*Jan.* 18, 1721	H. Bardwell. D. D.	June 21, 1815	June 8, 1836	88	154	242	53	0	2	2	3	5	0	8	0	5	200
Paxton,	*Sep.* 3, 1767	William Phipps,	Nov. 11, 1840	Nov. 11, 1840	36	79	115	10	7	1	8	2	1	0	3	4	2	175
Princeton,	*Aug* 13, 1764	William T. Briggs,	Nov. 4, 1846	Feb. 13, 1856	56	107	163	18	1	0	1	4	0	0	4	0	0	180
Rutland,	*Nov.* 1, 1727	Clarendon Waite.	Feb 25, 1857	Feb. 25, 1857	65	140	205	36	3	3	6	1	4	0	5	2	4	225
Shrewsbury,	*Dec.* 4, 1723	*Wm. A. McGinley,	June 2, 1859	June 2, 1859	84	157	241	57	12	6	18	7	6	0	13	7	0	240
Sterling,	*June* 22, 1852	None,			17	37	54	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
West Boylston, 1st c. c	*Sep* 15, 1796	None,			77	149	226	42	1	0	1	0	7	1	8	0	2	100
Worcester, 1st par.	1716	Horace James,	Nov. 1, 1843	Feb. 3, 1853	173	388	561	86	8	12	20	13	17	1	31	5	9	475
" Calvinist,	*Aug.* 17, 1820	Seth Sweetser, D. D.	Nov. 23, 1836	Dec. 19, 1838	105	246	351		4	10	14	4	12	0	16	1	6	300
" Union,	*Feb.* 3, 1836	Ebenezer Cutler,	Mar. 6, 1850	Sep 5, 1855	195	346	541	53	5	16	21	4	13	0	17	5	5	510
" Salem-st.	*June* 14, 1848	Merrill Richardson,	Oct. 28, 1841	Dec. 27, 1858	80	140	220	45	3	14	17	3	11	0	14	1	0	537
Total, 19		15 Pastors, 2 s. s., 3 vacant chhs.			1444	2949	4393	696	89	97	186	69	96	3	168	44	54	4670

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Joseph W. Cross, West Boylston, ord. Oct. 1, 1834; Preston Cummings, Leicester, ord. Aug. 23, 1825; George Denham, Chelsea, ord. Nov. 2, 1843; L. Ives Hoadley, (where?), ord. Oct. 15, 1823; Rodney A. Miller, Worcester, ord. June 7, 1827; William Miller, Saundersville, ord. Oct. 1845; Miner G. Pratt, Agent Am. Col. Soc., Andover, ord. Oct. 22, 1828; William H. Sanford, Worcester, ord. Oct. 17, 1832; William T. Sleeper, Chaplain of State Reform School, Westboro', ord. June 29, 1854; Isaac R. Worcester, Dist. Sec. of A. B. C. F. M., Auburndale, ord. (when?)—10. *Non-Resident:* George Bushnell, pastor, Waterbury, Ct., ord. Dec. 13, 1848; Charles F. Morse, Missionary of A. B. C. F. M., Bulgaria, Adrianople, ord. Aug. 13, 1856; N. W. Williams, Providence, R. I., ord. Feb. 28, 1849.

*Not members of this Association.

Association meets on the first Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September and November.

AMOS H. COOLIDGE, Leicester, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

26. WORCESTER NORTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Ashburnham,	*Apr.* 23, 1760	Thomas Boutelle,	May 21, 1834	St. sup. 1857	73	109	182	36	2	0	2	4	0	0	4	2	0	150
" North,	*Feb.* 21, 1843	None,			20	18	38	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Athol,	*Aug.* 29, 1750	John F. Norton,	Oct. 23, 1844	Mar. 17, 1852	75	155	230	22	11	7	18	3	1	1	5	5	3	250
Gardner, 1st ch.	*Feb.* 1, 1786	John C. Paine,	June 6, 1838	Jan. 12, 1848	40	86	126	6	4	5	9	2	1	0	3	4	3	225
" Evan. ch.	*Aug.* 11, 1830	Samuel J. Austin,	Feb. 25, 1857	Dec 8, 1859	71	129	200	31	2	3	5	1	5	0	6	1	0	287
Hubbardston,	*Feb.* 14, 1770	Cyrus W. Allen,	Oct 6, 1833	Dec. 29, 1852	38	110	148	30	1	2	3	1	3	0	4	0	0	130
New Salem,	*Aug.* 15, 1815	George S. Kemp,	Feb. 28, 1856	St. sup. 1860	9	28	37	8	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	40
Petersham,	*June* 25, 1823	Charles Kendall,	Jan. 21, 1844	St. sup.	35	91	126	16	1	0	1	1	2	0	3	1	2	156
Phillipston,	*Nov.* 26, 1785	Samuel W. Barnum,	Jan. 25, 1853	Jan. 1, 1856	55	117	172	35	5	1	6	8	3	4	15	2	9	160
Royalston, 1st ch.	*Oct.* 13, 1766	Ebenezer W. Bullard,	Aug. 8, 1838	Sep. 2, 1852	46	88	134	10	1	2	3	4	1	0	5	0	1	242
" 2d ch.	*Feb.* 22, 1837	Edwin Seabury,	June 18, 1840	June 23, 1858	40	76	116	25	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	75
Templeton,	*Apr.* 11, 1832	Lewis Sabin, D. D.	June 6, 1836	Sep. 21, 1837	47	104	151	21	2	7	9	1	2	0	3	0	2	175
Wendell,	*Nov.* 29, 1774	None,			12	26	38	7	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	2	2	0
Westminster,	*Oct.* 20, 1744	Brown Emerson,	Aug. 3, 1837	June 9, 1859	67	153	220	14	0	5	5	4	8	0	12	0	0	200
Winchendon, 1st ch.	*Dec.* 15, 1762	Benjamin F. Clarke,	Feb. 4, 1824	Oct. 24, 1855	23	50	73	19	0	1	1	0	5	2	7	0	0	40
" North,	*Dec.* 7, 1843	Abijah P. Marvin,	June 10, 1844	Jan. 10, 1844	40	105	145	15	5	5	10	2	6	0	8	0	2	165
Total, 16		11 Pastors, 3 s. s. 2 vacant chhs.			691	1445	2136	310	36	39	75	31	43	7	81	17	24	2295

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* Josiah D. Crosby, Ashburnham, ord. Oct. 4, 1837; Erastus Curtiss, New Salem, ord. Oct. 22, 1833; Ebenezer Perkins, Royalston, ord. Feb. 17, 1819.—3. *Elsewhere enumerated:* Marcus Ames, stated supply, North Chelsea.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in January, fourth Tuesday in April, second Tuesday in July, and the first Tuesday in October.

JOHN F. NORTON, Athol, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

27. WORCESTER SOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.				Baptisms.		Sab.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	Sch.
Blackstone,	*Apr.* 15, 1841	Thomas E. Bliss,	June 2, 1852	St. sup. 1855	19	43	62	22	0	1	1	4	3	1	8	0	4	140
Douglas, 1st ch.	*Nov.* 11, 1747	Gilbert B. Richardson,	June 30, 1857	June 30, 1857	10	39	49	13	2	2	4	1	1	1	3	2	5	50
" East,	*June* 12, 1834	Joshua L. Maynard,	Jan. 14, 1841	July 7, 1852	72	146	218	17	4	8	12	0	3	1	4	2	2	285
Grafton,	*Dec.* 28, 1731	Thomas C. Biscoe,	July 18, 1838	July 18, 1838	109	178	287	61	5	3	8	4	12	2	18	2	6	275
Millbury, 1st ch.	*Oct.* 28, 1743	Edmund Y. Garrette,	Apr 12, 1854	Sep. 30, 1857	50	121	171	8	8	7	15	2	3	0	5	1	0	185
" 2d ch.	*Aug* 23, 1827	Lewis Jessup,	Nov. 19, 1851	Apr. 24, 1856	75	133	208	53	0	3	3	3	3	13*	19	0	1	150
Northbridge, 1st ch.	*June* 6, 1782	None,			27	62	89	17	3	1	4	2	3	0	5	2	1	97
" Whitinsville,	*July* 31, 1834	Lewis F. Clark,	June 1, 1842	June 1, 1842	73	125	198	20	9	4	13	2	10	0	12	3	5	240
Sutton,	*Autumn* 1720	George Lyman,	Nov 12, 1851	Nov. 12, 1851	48	120	168	32	5	1	6	1	3	0	4	4	1	150
Upton,	*In* 1735	Andrew J Willard,	Apr 30, 1857	Apr. 30, 1857	77	186	263	37	4	2	6	3	3	0	6	2	0	380
Uxbridge,	*Jan.* 6, 1731	Jacob J. Abbott,	Aug 27, 1845	Apr. 3, 1850	34	118	152	32	6	1	7	5	2	0	7	4	1	234
Webster,	*Jan.* 13, 1838	None,			52	95	147	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	162
Westboro',	*Oct.* 28, 1784	Luther H. Sheldon,	Aug. 1, 1814	Mar 20, 1856	111	238	352	52	8	4	12	4	10	0	14	3	1	338
Total, 13		10 Pastors, 1 s s. 2 vacant chhs.			760	1601	2361	388	51	37	91	31	56	18	105	25	28	2885

In addition to the above, a church was organized at Saundersville, in Grafton, of 30 members, April 18, 1860.

OTHER MEMBERS.—*Resident:* David Holman, Post Master, Douglas. ord Oct 19, 1808; Sidney Holman. Teacher, Holyoke, ord Jan. 16, 1833; George B. Safford, Andover, ord. Sept. 2, 1858.—3 *Non-Resident:* Rodney G. Dennis, stated supply, Square Village, Wall, New Jersey, ord. (when ?); John Orcutt, Agent of Colonization Society, Hartford, Ct, ord. Aug. 4, 1835.

* Names dropped of persons long absent.

Association meets on the second Tuesday in January, April, July, and October.

JOSHUA L. MAYNARD, East Douglas, Scribe, and Statistical Scribe.

28. UNASSOCIATED.

Churches.		Ministers.			Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.			Admitted 1859.			Removed 1859.			Baptisms.		Sab. Sch.
Place, and Name.	Organized.	Name.	Ordained.	Installed.	Mal.	Fem.	Tot.	Abs.	Prof.	Let.	Tot.	D'th.	Dis.	Exc.	Tot.	Ad.	Inf.	
Dedham, 1st ch.	Nov. 8, 1638	Eben. Burgess, D. D.	Mar 14, 1821	Mar. 14, 1821	59	185	244		9	3	12	5	2	0	7	4	2	150

MINISTERS NOT MEMBERS OF ASSOCIATIONS.—E. Judson Alden, Boston, ord. July 21, 1858, (omitted by mistake from Hampden West); William Allen, D. D., Northampton, ord. (when?); Luther Bailey, East Medway, ord. Nov. 20, 1816; Ezekiel H. Barstow, teacher, Newton Centre, ord. (when?) Zenas Bliss, Amherst, ord. Aug. 27, 1838; Joab Brace, D. D, Pittsfield, ord. Jan. 16, 1805; Samuel Bradford, Montague, ord. (when?); Ebenezer Burgess, Dracut, ord. (when?); Swift Byington, Boston, ord. Nov. 17, 1852; Dana Cloyes, South Reading, ord. July 4, 1821; Andrew C. Denison, teacher, Medford, ord. March 4, 1851; Ezekiel Dow, Haverhill, ord Feb. 12, 1855; Solomon P. Fay, Agent American Tract Society, Newton, ord. (when?); Joseph B. Felt, LL. D., Boston, ord. Dec. 19, 1821; William C. Fowler, Amherst, ord. Aug. 31, 1825; George Gannett, teacher, Boston, ord. June 14, 1819; Frederick A Fisk, teacher, Newton, ord. (when?); Alfred Goldsmith, Groton, ord. (when?); John L. Graves, pastor, Boston, ord. Jan. 4 1860; Alfred Greenwood, Natick, ord. May 18, 1836; William Harlow, Wrentham, ord. Oct. 28, 1828; Ezra Haskell, recently ordained at Canton; Forrest Jefferds, City Missionary, South Boston, ord. (when?); William Jenks, D. D., Boston, ord. (when?); Francis Jordan, Chaplain in County House, Springfield, ord. May 10, 1833; Henry Loomis, Jr., Andover, ord. (when?); Cyrus T. Mills, Ware, ord. Feb. 2, 1818; David M. Mitchell, City Missionary, Roxbury, ord. June 19, 1816; Thomas Morong, pastor of a Union church, Globe Village, ord. (when?); Charles W. Munroe, East Cambridge, ord. Dec. 26, 1849; Erasmus D. Moore, Newton ord.(when?); Martin Moore, publisher of Boston Recorder, ord. Feb. 16, 1814; E. D. Murphy, Chaplain, Monson, ord. (when?); Giles Pease, physician, Boston, ord. (when?); Samuel H. Peckham, Leominster(?), ord. Sept. 14, 1825; Henry W. K. Perkins, Boston, ord. (when?); J. H. Pettingill, recently installed at Saxonville, ord. (when?); Ebenezer Price, Boston, ord. Sept. 26, 1804; Asa Rand, Ashburnham, ord. Jan. 18, 1809; Alexander J Sessions. Salem, ord. June 6, 1838; Charles Smith, stated supply, Boston; Josiah H. Temple, Framingham, ord. Sept. 30, 1845; James Tufts, Monson, ord. (when?); John A. Vinton, South Boston, ord. (when?); James G. Vose, Professor in Amherst College, Amherst, ord Oct. 20, 1857; Samuel Ware, Sunderland, ord. Oct. 31, 1810; Israel P. Warren, Secretary American Tract Society, Boston, ord. April 20, 1842; Calvin White, Amherst, ord. Oct. 28, 1829.—48.

SUMMARY.*

Associations.	Ministers, Aug. 1. 1860.				Churches.				Chh. Mem. Jan. 1, 1860.				Admissions in 1859.			Removals in 1859.				Bap. in 1859.		Sab. Sch.
	Pas.	S. s.	Oth.	Tot.	W. p.	W. s. s.	Vac.	Tot.	Males.	Fem.	Total.	Absent.	Prof.	Let.	Total.	Death.	Dis.	Exc.	Total.	Ad.	Inf.	
1. Andover,	14	2	7	24	14	3	2	19	1469	2907	4376	1106	121	124	245	50	131	6	187	32	53	4389
2. Berkshire North,	11	2	7	20	11	2	3	16	605	1137	2449	†329	39	53	92	28	64	1	93	15	33	1471
3. Berkshire South,	12	2	4	18	12	2	4	18	833	1570	2103	406	61	38	99	42	44	9	95	41	29	1910
4. Brewster,	6	5	3	14	6	5	4	15	381	857	1238	112	20	9	29	20	14	0	34	15	13	1590
5. Brookfield,	17	1	0	18	16	1	1	18	882	1953	2835	376	59	58	117	51	63	3	117	37	31	2906
6. Essex North,	17	3	6	26	16	3	4	23	1093	2493	3586	299	56	154	210	63	164	6	233	32	47	3694
7. Essex South,	17	3	1	21	16	3	0	19	867	2249	3116	261	112	31	143	56	20	12	88	53	68	4192
8. Franklin,	17	5	6	28	17	5	5	27	1079	2002	3081	291	87	70	157	44	102	2	148	40	64	2973
9. Hampden East,	14	2	3	19	12	2	3	17	918	1990	2908	490	39	86	125	49	106	2	157	21	59	2556
10. Hampden West,	9	4	0	13	9	4	4	17	621	1271	1892	234	70	58	128	30	66	9	105	37	45	1850
11. Hampshire,	10	3	6	19	10	4	4	18	1208	2095	3303	357	63	79	142	69	87	4	160	30	61	2706
12. Hampshire East,	16	1	8	25	16	1	1	18	1107	2120	3227	340	55	63	118	51	98	61	210	25	92	2663
13. Mendon,	10	3	7	20	10	3	1	14	529	1336	1865	248	32	20	52	46	21	1	68	15	39	1944
14. Middlesex South,	9	0	3	12	9	0	6	15	740	1639	2379	336	38	48	86	36	39	4	79	12	53	2607
15. Middlesex Union,	9	6	7	22	9	6	1	16	800	1749	2549	430	69	44	113	49	36	13	98	32	24	2641
16. Norfolk,	24	4	‡7	35	23	4	6	33	1272	2699	3971	832	91	74	165	73	57	5	135	43	74	4715
17. Old Colony,	9	2	4	15	9	2	3	14	667	1585	2252	313	44	14	58	32	22	1	55	27	25	2177
18. Plymouth,	8	7	4	19	8	7	3	18	467	1044	1511	169	19	18	37	30	26	1	57	7	9	1852
19. Salem,	10	3	3	16	10	3	1	14	517	1597	2144	186	37	30	67	27	23	3	53	18	37	2895
20. Suffolk North,	14	4	10	28	14	3	3	20	1481	3202	4683	653	116	181	297	46	138	0	184	33	133	5592
21. Suffolk South,	18	2	9	29	18	3	5	26	1851	3678	5574	770	175	188	363	51	154	10	215	50	97	6744
22. Taunton,	8	5	4	17	7	5	5	17	791	1842	2733	344	71	40	111	23	31	4	58	43	32	2802
23. Vineyard Sound,	5	3	0	8	5	3	4	12	271	554	825	95	33	17	50	22	9	1	32	13	22	632
24. Woburn,	12	0	3	15	12	0	3	15	784	1550	2334	243	46	61	107	30	56	2	88	19	45	2582
25. Worcester Central,	15	2	10	27	14	2	3	19	1444	2949	4393	696	89	97	186	69	96	3	168	44	54	4670
26. Worcester North,	11	3	3	17	11	3	2	16	691	1445	2136	310	36	39	75	31	43	7	81	17	21	2295
27. Worcester South,‡	10	1	3	14	10	2	1	13	760	1604	2364	388	54	37	91	31	56	18	105	25	28	2686
28. *Unassociated*,	1	0	‖48	49	1	0	0	1	59	185	244		9	3	12	5	2	0	7	4	2	150
Total,	333	78	176	587	325	81	82	¶488	24,217	51,302	††76,371	‡‡10,114	1,741	1,734	3,475	1,154	1,768	188	3,110	780	1,293	§0,194
Total, 1859,	§340	78	168	586	325	79	81	485	24,168	51,434	76,784	10,553	8,811	2,529	11,340	1,188	2,410	78	3,676	4,095	1,719	§0,285

*See Explanations on page 30. † Incorrectly printed 399 in table 2. ‡ Incorrectly printed 6 in table 16.

‖ Including only ministers residing in Massachusetts; 46 others are enumerated in the tables, who are members of our ministerial Associations, but are out of the state. § Corrected.

¶ Three churches have been organized since Dec 31, 1859, which are not included in this number; and three have been disbanded. The year reported corresponds with the civil year, but for convenience, the *ministerial* table is corrected to Aug. 1.

†† The discrepancy between the "total," and the sum of "males" and "females," is explained by the fact that three churches report the "total" without distinguishing between the "males" and "females," viz. Pittsfield 1st, 707; Payson, South Boston, 45; Lakeville, 100; total 852.

‡‡ The "Absent" are not *additional* to the "males," "females," and "total," but are included in them. Doubtless an equal number worship with our churches while retaining their membership elsewhere.

REMARKS UPON THE STATISTICS.

ASSOCIATIONS. There has been no change in the number or name of Associations during the past year.

CHURCHES. While, for usefulness in reference, the lists of ministers and churches are corrected up to August 1, the membership, additions, etc., come up only to the preceding first of January.

On the first of January 1859, there were 485 churches of our faith and order in this State. Of these, three disappear: The Trinitarian church in Fitchburg disclaims ecclesiastical fellowship with our churches, and is therefore omitted; the church at Neponset (which had had no public services for years) was disbanded, and its members entered into a new enterprise; and the Plymouth church in Chelsea was disbanded by its own vote. On the other hand,—the *actual* existence of two churches at Manchester is recognized, whatever may be the *theory;* a church at East Weymouth, originally Methodist, was received to fellowship at the September session of the Norfolk Conference; a small church at Mt. Washington has been replaced as still in existence; the North church in Haverhill was organized March 30, 1859; a church at Port Norfolk was organized May 11, 1859, including the members of the one disbanded at Neponset; and the John Eliot church was organized at South Natick, Nov. 16, 1859, on the missionary ground of the Apostle to the Indians. The number of churches Jan. 1, 1860, was therefore 488. A comparison of the reports of these churches Jan. 1, 1859, and Jan. 1, 1860, will be seen in the Summary on the preceding page.

In the interval which has elapsed since the expiration of the ecclesiastical (which is with us the civil) year, there have been other changes in the number of churches, which we notice merely for present convenience, but cannot include in the tables: the South church in Amherst has disbanded, having been fatally weakened by the organization of the "Church in South Amherst" in 1858; the Winter Street church in Haverhill has disbanded; and two churches in South Boston, the Payson and the Church of the Unity, have become the E Street church. On the other hand, the Springfield Street church in Boston was organized Jan. 4, 1860; a church in Saundersville, in Grafton, and the Oak Place church, Boston, each in June 1860; still leaving 488.

The ministerial supply of these churches is reported to August 1, (as near as possible to the date of printing, which follows the session of the General Association,) for obvious reasons of convenience. Their condition as to ministers is as follows:

Of these churches, 82 (81 last year,) are "vacant"; that is, they are supplied with preaching only from Sabbath to Sabbath; a few of them have no public services whatever. Of the remainder, 81 (79 last year,) have "stated supplies,"—an awkward term used to designate such persons as perform the usual ministerial functions, (sometimes only on the Sabbath,) but without having been actually installed as pastors. And 325 churches (same as last year) are supplied with actual pastors, properly settled; 8 of these churches have, each, two pastors. Many of the churches who have "stated supplies," will, doubtless, never be in a condition to have a settled ministry, unless a decided change shall take place as to the estimation of the pastoral office, and, perhaps in their own ability.

It will be seen by the Index of Towns, that there still appear to be no Orthodox Congregational churches in Bellingham, Bolton, Brewster, Cheshire, Clarksburg, Duxbury, Florida, Hancock, Hull, Leyden, Lexington, Monroe, Nahant, New Ashford, Pembroke, Rowe, Russell, Savoy, Somerset, South Scituate, Swanzey, Tyngsboro', Tyringham, Wales, Weston, and Winthrop,—26 in all: there is, however, evangelical preaching in each of these towns, and in most of them are Orthodox Congregationalists forming constituent parts of accessible churches in adjoining towns. No town in Massachusetts is entirely without the institutions of the Gospel.

Ministers. The whole number enumerated in last year's issue, as residing in Massachusetts, was 586; this year is 587. The numbers should doubtless be increased by the names of other ministers not belonging to Associations; few of the latter, however, are in actual service.

As to pastors: At the time of printing a year since, the churches now enumerated had (corrected) 340 pastors. During the past year, 37 others have been settled, (of which 16 by ordination.) Ten have died, and 34 have been dismissed. So that the present number of pastors is 333. Last year, we said "In view of the fact that during each of the last four years (the only years in which the facts are obtainable,) the dismissals have exceeded the settlements, and this year so decidedly, it becomes a question worthy of serious thought, whether the pastoral relation is not losing that regard which it once possessed." This year it is gratifying to see that the tendency then deprecated is checked, though it is far from safe to judge from one year's experience whether the improvement is permanent.

The dates of ministerial ordination show that 118 are still ministers of the churches over which they were ordained. Four pastorates (seven last year) have passed their fiftieth year, viz. those of Thomas Snell, D. D., of North Brookfield, settled June 27, 1798; Brown Emerson, D. D., of Salem, settled April 24, 1805; Alfred Ely, D. D., of Monson, settled Dec. 17, 1806; and Samuel Osgood, D. D., of Springfield, settled June 25, 1809. Another pastor, Luther Sheldon, D. D., of Easton, will have attained his half century before another issue of the Minutes, having been settled October 24, 1810. Each of these has a colleague.

As to ministers not pastors: These are divided, in the tables, into three classes; 1st, those acting as "stated supplies"; 2d, those who reside in Massachusetts without pastoral charge; and 3d, members of Associations in Massachusetts but residing outside of the State. Of the *first* class there are 78, the same as last year. Of the *second* class there are 176; of these, 19 are professors or teachers in various institutions of learning, 1 is in the employ of the Massachusetts Board of Education, 19 are connected with the various religious benevolent Societies as Secretaries, Agents, etc., 3 are chaplains in reformatory institutions, 2 are city missionaries, 1 is a Post-master, 3 are editors or publishers, 2 are physicians, 1 is the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and 1 is an anti-tobacconist. Of the *third* class, 15 are in actual missionary or other ministerial service, 3 are Secretaries or Agents of Societies, 1 is an editor, and 1 is a teacher; of this class, many are enumerated in the tables of other States, and none of them ought to be reckoned here; we do not include them in our Summary.

Deaths. Fifteen of our clergymen have died the past year; viz.

June 29, 1859. At North Abington, Otis Thompson, born in Middleboro', Sept. 14, 1776.

Sept. 9. At Falmouth, William Bates, pastor, born in Dedham, Jan. 19, 1816.

Oct. 22. At Marlboro', Levi A. Field, pastor, born in Leverett, Sept. 17, 1821.

Nov. 19. At Bridgewater, John M. Prince, pastor, aged 39.

Dec. 14. At East Granville, Timothy M. Cooley, D. D., senior pastor, born in East Granville, March 13, 1772.

Dec. 16. At Groveland, Gardner B. Perry, D. D., senior pastor, born in Norton, August 9, 1783.

Jan. 8, 1860. At Richmond, Charles S. Renshaw, pastor, aged 48.

Feb. 2. At Brewster, Enoch Pratt, born in Middleboro' in 1781.

Feb. 3. At Ipswich, David T. Kimball, senior pastor, born in Bradford, Nov. 23, 1782.

Feb. 7. At Rowley, Willard Holbrook, born in Uxbridge, April 7, 1792.

Feb. . At Auburn, Me., Daniel W. Pickard, who resigned the pastorate at Groveland on account of ill health.

March 11. At South Reading, Reuben Emerson, senior pastor, born in Ashby, August 1771.

March 26. At North Abington, Willard Pierce, aged 70.

May 16. At Newburyport, Luther F. Dimmick, D. D., pastor, born in Shaftsbury, Vt., Nov. 15, 1790.

May 26. At Marlboro', Sylvester F. Bucklin, aged 76, born in Seekonk.

The average age of the above was 65. For further notices of each see the Congregational Quarterly.

Membership of the Churches. Comparisons have already been made as to our churches and their membership, for 1859 and 1860. The present

year, a decennial period, is convenient for a retrospect covering a series of years. No data whatever of church membership exist prior to 1820, nor any of sufficient value to copy before 1830. Our reports were formerly very imperfect, and an approximation as to membership is obtained only by great labor.

The number of churches at various periods has been as follows:

Date,	1630	1640	1650	1700	1750	1790
Churches,	2	26	39	83	239	324

of the 324 in 1790, 75 became Unitarian.

From the beginning of the present century to the period when the churches had ranged themselves on one or the other side of the doctrinal line which split the old Congregationalists, the uncertainty as to the doctrinal character of the churches is rather bewildering. It is safe to presume, however, that those churches which afterwards avowed themselves Unitarian, were not alarmingly Orthodox during this period. Assuming this to be case, the number of churches at different dates would be as follows:

	1800	1810	1820	1825
Orthodox,	267	281	291	310
Unitarian,	76	80	89	95

When the smoke of the conflict cleared away, the matter of numbers naturally came into notice. Our Association referred to the subject at the session of 1819; but nothing effectual was done until 1830, though statistics were printed in 1826. The following table is compiled from the Minutes as published, corrected from all possible sources. It gives the number of churches in brackets as *reported* in our Minutes; the figures following are the *actual* number. The number of members in brackets are as *reported;* the figures following the *actual* number, as near as can be ascertained by supplying defects from actual reports nearest in time. The approximation of bracketted and *un*bracketted columns exhibits the improvement in our Statistics.

Date.	Associations.	Churches.	Ministers.	Church Members.	Sabbath School.
1830	19	(228) 347	212	(30,847) 37,987	34,787
1835	19	(272) 387	239	(41,089) 49,089	44,040
1840	22	(370) 408	329	(59,473) 62,513	63,305
1845	25	(399) 440	398	(61,771) 65,467	62,108
1850	26	(455) 469	412	(65,266) 66,346	60,318
1855	28	(462) 474	422	(67,719) 69,009	66,147
1860	27	(488) 488	587	(76,371) 76,371	80,124

This table shows the steady, though not uniform, increase of churches and members. The most rapid increase was in the period when the churches had been aroused by the Unitarian defection to greatly increased efforts. The *apparent* increase in the ministry, however, between 1855 and 1860, is partly attributable to our improved Statistics.

Conferences of Churches. For the sake of information, the following list (perhaps not perfectly accurate) is inserted. These Conferences are composed of Pastors and Delegates from the various churches enumerated, who meet for public religious services and conference, with no ecclesiastical power or purpose:

Andover. Organized at Lowell, June 8, 1859. Churches,—all the Orthodox Congregational churches enumerated in Andover Association,—19. Time of meeting, the second Wednesday in June. Scribe, Rev. George Mooar, Andover.

Barnstable. Organized Oct. 28, 1828. Churches,—all the Orthodox Congregational churches in Barnstable, Dukes, and Nantucket Counties,—27. Times of meeting, second Tuesday in June, and third Tuesday in December. Scribe, Rev. Franklin Hebard, Harwichport.

Berkshire Association (North and South), for benevolent purposes only, meets on the third Tuesday of October.

Brookfield Associational. Organized June 10, 1838. Churches,—all the Orthodox Congregational churches within the bounds of Brookfield Association,—18. Time of meeting, second Tuesday in June. Meeting for Bible and Missionary causes, the Tuesday after the third Wednesday in October. Scribe, Rev. A. E. P. Perkins, Ware Village.

Essex North. Organized April 30, 1828. Churches,—Amesbury (West, and Mills,) Amesbury and Salisbury, Boxford (West,) Bradford, Georgetown, Groveland, Haverhill (all five churches,) Ipswich (1st, and Linebrook,) Newbury (1st, and Byfield,) Newburyport (North, 4th, Whitefield, and Bellville,) Rowley, Salisbury (Hill,) and West Newbury (1st and 2d,)—24. Time of meeting, the first week in October. Benevolent Societies are represented. Scribe, Rev. Daniel T. Fiske, Newburyport.

Essex South (Consociation.) Organized May 8, 1827. Churches,—Beverly (Dane st., and Washington st.,) Danvers (Maple st.,) Essex, Gloucester (West, Harbor, and Lanesville,) Hamilton, Ipswich (South,) Lynnfield (Centre,) Manchester, Middleton, Rockport (1st, and 2d,) Salem (3d, and Howard st.,) and South Danvers,—17. Times of meeting, second Wednesdays in June and October. Scribe, Rev. Alonzo B. Rich, Beverly.

Franklin. Organized Oct. 10, 1843. Churches,—Ashfield (1st, and 2d,) Bernardston, Buckland, Charlemont (1st, and East,) Colerain, Conway, Deerfield (1st, Orthodox, and Monument,) Erving, Gill, Greenfield (1st, and 2d,) Hawley (East, and West,) Heath, Montague, Northfield, Orange, Shelburne (1st, and Falls,) Shutesbury, Sunderland, Wendell, and Whately (2d,)—27. Time of meeting, the Tuesday preceding the third Wednesday in September. Benevolent Society meeting immediately preceding. Scribe, Rev. David A. Strong, South Deerfield.

Hampden. This Conference has "no constitution, no permanent officers"; "it originated in an invitation of" .... "church to the other churches of the county to meet with us to become better acquainted with each others' condition, to make such suggestions to one another as shall be mutually benefi-

cial and to engage together in devotional services." Churches,—covered by invitations and places, are all the churches in Hampden county, with the church at South Hadley Falls,—34. Time of meeting, on or about the first Tuesday in October, as any church, choosing to invite, may decide. Rev. Samuel G. Buckingham of Springfield, acts as Scribe.

MENDON. Organized April 27, 1858. Churches,—Foxboro', Franklin (1st, and South,) Mansfield, Medfield, Medway (East, Village, and West,) Milford, Walpole, Wrentham (Original, and North,)—12. Times of meeting, semi-annual, "on the Tuesdays and Wednesdays of such weeks in April and October as shall be designated by the Committee of Arrangements." Scribe, Rev. Samuel Hunt, Franklin.

MIDDLESEX NORTH AND VICINITY. Organized May 8, 1833. Churches, —all the Orthodox Congregational churches enumerated in Middlesex Union Association,—16. Time of meeting, in connection with the "Religious Charitable Society of Middlesex and Vicinity," the third Tuesday and Wednesday of October. Benevolent Societies are represented. Scribe, Rev. Elihu Loomis, Littleton.

NORFOLK. Organized June 14, 1827. Churches,—Abington (1st, 2d, 3d, and 4th,) Braintree (1st, and South,) Braintree and Weymouth (Union,) Bridgewater (Trinitarian,) Canton, Cohasset, Dorchester (2d, and Village,) East and West Bridgewater (Union,) East Bridgewater (Trinitarian,) Easton, Hingham, Jamaica Plain, Milton (1st, and 2d Evangelical,) North Bridgewater (1st, South, and Porter,) Quincy, Randolph (1st, East, and Winthrop,) Sharon, Stoughton, Weymouth (1st, 2d, Union, Pilgrim, and East,)—33. Times of meeting, first Tuesday in May, and last Tuesday in September. Scribe, Rev. Frederick R. Abbe, Abington.

OLD COLONY. Organized Sept. 23, 1856. Churches,—Fairhaven, Marion, Mattapoisett, Middleboro' (1st, and Central,) New Bedford (1st, North, Trinitarian, and Pacific,) Rochester (Centre,) South Dartmouth, and Wareham,—12. Time of meeting, last Tuesdays in April and October.—Clerk, Rev. John Willard, Fairhaven.

PILGRIM. Organized April 27, 1830. Churches,—Carver, Halifax, Hanson, Hanover (1st, and Four Corners,) Kingston, Marshfield (1st, and East,) Plymouth (South, Centre, and Chiltonville,) Plympton, and Scituate.—13. Times of meeting, third Tuesdays in April and October. Scribe, Rev. Timothy G. Brainard, Halifax.

SALEM. This is a MISSIONARY UNION, which takes care of its own feeble churches. It holds public sessions, however, as a Conference. Organized June 11, 1851. Churches, all the churches enumerated in Salem Association. —14. Time of meeting, second Wednesday in June. Scribe, Rev. Jotham B. Sewall, Lynn.

SOUTH MIDDLESEX. Organized Aug. 20, 1828. Churches,—Ashland, Concord, Dover, Framingham, Grantville, Holliston, Hopkinton, Lincoln, Marlboro', Natick, Saxonville, Sherborn, Southboro', Sudbury, Wayland, West Needham.—16. Times of meeting, third Tuesdays in April and October. Scribe,

Taunton and Vicinity. Organized Nov. 7, 1848. Churches,—Attleboro' (1st, and 2d,) Berkley (1st, and Trin. Cong.,) Dighton, Fall River (Central,) Freetown (Assonet,) Norton, Pawtucket, Raynham, Rehoboth, Seekonk, and Taunton (Trin., Winslow, and East.)—15. Times of meeting, the last Tuesday in September or the first Tuesday in October,—being the first Tuesday after the meeting of the Bristol Co. Agricultural Society. Scribe, Rev. Robert Carver, Taunton.

Woburn. Organized Dec. 5, 1849. Churches,—Bedford, Billerica, Burlington, Carlisle, Medford (Trinitarian, and Mystic,) Melrose, North Reading, Reading (Bethesda,) South Reading, Stoneham, Waltham, West Cambridge, Wilmington, Winchester, Woburn (1st, and North,)—17. Times of meeting, last Tuesdays in April and October. Scribe, Rev. Reuben T. Robinson, Winchester.

Worcester Central. Organized April 28, 1852. All the churches enumerated in Worcester Central Association,—19. Times of meeting, the Wednesday following the third Monday in April and the Wednesday following the third Monday in October. Tract, Sabbath School, and Home Mission causes are represented in April. Scribe, Rev. Warren W. Winchester, Clinton.

Worcester North. Organized Nov. 14, 1827. Churches,—all the churches enumerated in Worcester North Association, excepting New Salem, —15. Time of meeting, second Tuesday in June. Benevolent Societies heard Tuesday evening. Clerk, Rev. Samuel W. Barnum, Phillipston.

Worcester South, (formerly Harmony.) Organized (probably) Sept. 25, 1833. Churches,—Blackstone, Douglas (1st, and East,) Grafton, Mendon, Millbury (1st, and 2d,) Northbridge (1st, and Whitinsville,) Sutton, Upton, Uxbridge, and Westboro',—13. Times of meeting, fourth Tuesday in April, and October. Benevolent Societies heard at each session. Scribe, Rev. Andrew J. Willard, Upton.

The number of members in the churches connected with these Conferences are as follows: Andover, 4,376; Barnstable, 2,507; Brookfield, 2,835; Essex North, 3,810; Essex South, 3,123; Franklin, 3,058; Hampden, 4,800; Mendon, 1,800; Middlesex North, 2,549; Norfolk, 4,047; Old Colony, 1,988; Pilgrim, 1,017; Salem, 2,141; South Middlesex, 2,497; Taunton, 2,417; Woburn, 2,503; Worcester Central, 4,393; Worcester North, 2,099; Worcester South, 2,251. Total, 359 churches, 54,211 members.

For the present value of the Statistics (which include every Orthodox Congregational Church in the State,) thanks are due to the local Statistical Scribes,—to Mr. James M. Everett, the skilful and intelligent compositor who has now put our tables in type for twenty-five successive years,—and to Rev. Lysander Dickerman for special assistance in correcting proofs.

Suggestions of further improvements, and the correction of the errors which have escaped notice, will be gladly received by the Statistical Secretary.

A. H. Q.

Jamaica Plain, Mass., Aug. 20, 1860.

NAMES OF CLERGYMEN,

Arranged in alphabetical order, with the Post-Office address of each, and with the number of the Association in which each name occurs in the statistics.

Abbe Frederick R., Abington. 16
Abbot Jacob J., Uxbridge. 27
Abbet Joseph, D. D , Beverly. 19
Adams Darwin, Auburn. 25
Adams George M., Conway. 8
Adams Nehemiah, D. D., Boston. 21
Aiken James, Hanover. 18
Albro John A., D. D., Cambridge. 20
Alden Ebenezer, Jr., Marshfield. 18
Alden E. Judson, Boston. 28
Alden Edmund K., South Boston. 21
Allen Benjamin R., Marblehead. 19
Allen Cyrus W., Hubbardston. 26
Allen George E., Cambridgeport. 20
Allen Ephraim W., South Berwick, Me. 7
Allen John W., Chesterfield. 11
Allen William, D. D., Northampton. 28
Allen William, Dracut. 1
Alvord Frederick, Chicopee Falls. 9
Alvord John W., Boston. 21
Ames Marcus, North Chelsea. 20, 26
Anderson Rufus, D. D., Boston. 20
Angier Luther H., South Malden. 20
Angier Marshall P., Port Norfolk. 16
Ashley S—— S., Northboro'. 25
Atwood Edward S., Grantville. 21
Austin Samuel J., Gardner. 25
Ayres Rowland, Hadley. 12
Babcock Daniel H., Shirley. 15, 18
Backus Joseph W., Leominster. 15
Bacon Elisha, Centerville. 23
Bacon James M., Essex. 7
Badger Milton, D. D., New York. 1
Baker Abijah R., West Needham. 20
Bailey Luther, East Medway. 28
Baldwin Joseph B., West Hawley. 8
Ballard Addison, Williamstown. 2
Ballard Josiah, Carlisle. 24
Bancroft David, Prescott. 12
Bardwell Horatio, D. D., Oxford. 25
Barney James O., Seekonk. 22
Barnum Samuel W., Phillipston. 26
Barrows Elijah P., Andover. 1
Barrows Homer, Atkinson Depot, N. H. 17
Barrows William, Reading. 20, 24
Barstow Ezekiel H., Newton Centre. 28
Barton Frederick A., Indian Orchard. 9
Bates James, Granby. 12
Batt William J., Stoneham. 24
Beaman Charles C., Salem. 7
Beaman Warren H., North Hadley. 12
Beard Spencer F., Andover. 1
Beardsley Bronson B., Bridgeport, Ct. 15
Beckwith George C., D. D., Boston. 20
Beecher Charles, Georgetown. 6
Beecher Lyman, D. D., Brooklyn, N. Y. 21
Beecher William H., North Brookfield. 5
Bell James M., Ashby. 14
Bessom William H., Centreville. 23
Bigelow Andrew, Medfield. 13
Billings Richard S., Shelburne. 8
Bingham Joel S., Westfield. 10
Bisbee John H., Worthington. 11
Biscoe Thomas C., Grafton. 27
Bissell Edwin C., Westhampton. 11
Blagden George W., D. D., Boston. 20
Blake Henry B., Belchertown. 12
Blake Mortimer, Taunton. 22
Blanchard Amos, D. D., Lowell. 1
Blanchard Edmund H., Warwick. 8
Blanchard Nathaniel B., No. Bridgewater. 18
Blanchard William S. (Where?) 9
Bliss Zenas, Amherst. 28
Bliss Thomas E., Blackstone. 27
Blodgett Constantine, D. D., Pawtucket. 22
Blodgett Edward P., Greenwich. 12
Bodwell Joseph C., Framingham. 14
Boutelle Thomas, Ashburnham. 26
Brace Joab, D. D., Pittsfield. 28
Bradford Samuel, Montague. 28
Brainard Timothy G., Halifax. 18
Braman Milton P., D. D., Danvers Centre. 19
Breed William J., Southboro'. 14
Bremner David, Rockport. 7
Brewer Josiah, Housatonic. 3
Brewster Cyrus, Haydenville. 11
Bridgman Lewis, Middlefield.. 11
Briggs William T., Princeton. 25

Brigham David, Bridgewater. 18
Brigham John C., D. D., New York. 3
Brigham Levi, Saugus. 19
Brigham Willard, Ashfield 8
Brooks Charles, Newburyport. 6
Brown Oliver, Quincy. 16
Buck Edward H., Melrose. 24
Buckingham Samuel G., Springfield. 9
Bullard Asa, Boston. 20
Bullard Ebenezer W., Royalston. 26
Bulkley Edwin A., Groton. 15
Burgess Ebenezer, D. D., Dedham. 28
Burgess Ebenezer, Dracut. 28
Burnham Abraham, Haverhill. 6
Burt Daniel C., Berkley. 17
Bushnell George, Waterbury, Ct. 25
Bushnell William, Boston. 20
Butler Daniel, Groton. 15
Byington Swift, Boston. 28
Cady Daniel R., West Cambridge. 21
Campbell Randolph, Newburyport. 6
Carlton Hiram, West Barnstable. 23
Carpenter Eber, Southbridge. 5
Carruthers William, Sandwich. 23
Carver Robert, South Franklin. 13, 22
Chandler Azariah, D. D., Greenfield. 8
Chase Benjamin C., Attleboro'. 22
Chase Ebenezer, Tisbury. 4
Childs Alexander C., Rehoboth. 6, 22
Chute Ariel P., Ware Centre. 5
Clapp Erastus, Easthampton. 11
Clapp Sumner G., Sturbridge. 5
Clark Benjamin F., North Chelmsford. 1
Clarke Benjamin F., Winchendon. 26
Clark Dorus, Waltham. 20
Clark Edson L., Dalton. 2
Clark Edward, Chesterfield. 8
Clark Edward W., Auburndale. 21
Clark Eli B., Chicopee. 9
Clark Jonas B., Swampscott. 19
Clark Joseph S., D. D., Boston. 21
Clark Lewis F., Whitinsville. 27
Clark Perkins K., South Deerfield. 8
Clark Sereno D., Sunderland. 8
Clark Solomon, Plainfield. 11
Clark Sumner, Rochester. 17
Clark Theodore J., Cummington. 11
Clary Timothy F., Wareham. 17
Cleaveland James B., South Egremont. 3
Cleaveland John P., D. D., Lowell. 1
Cloyes Dana, South Reading. 24, 28
Cobb Alvan, Taunton. 22
Cobb Asahel, New Bedford. 17
Cobb Leander, Marion. 17
Cobb L. Henry, North Andover. 1
Cobb Nathaniel, Kingston. 17
Coggin William S., Boxford. 19
Cogswell Nathaniel, Yarmouth. 4
Colburn Moses M., South Dedham. 21
Colton Aaron M., East Hampton. 11
Colton Erastus, Southwick. 10
Colton Theron G., Monson. 9
Cone Luther H., Chicopee. 9
Cook Elisha W., Townsend. 15
Cook Russell S., New York. 2
Cooke Parsons, D. D., Lynn. 19
Coolidge Amos H., Leicester. 25
Copp Joseph A., D. D., Chelsea. 20
Cordley Christopher M., West Brookfield. 5
Cory John E., West Yarmouth. 4
Couch Paul, Cambridgeport. 20
Cowles John P., Ipswich. 6
Craig Wheelock, New Bedford. 17
Crawford Robert, D. D., Deerfield. 8
Crosby Josiah D., Ashburnham. 26
Cross Joseph W., West Boylston. 25
Cummings Preston, Leicester. 25
Curtiss Erastus, New Salem. 26
Cushing Christopher, North Brookfield. 5
Cushing James R., East Taunton. 22
Cutler Ebenezer, Worcester. 25
Dana J. Jay, Troy, N. Y. 2
Darling George, Hudson, O. 1
Dashiell Alfred H., Jr., Stockbridge. 3
Davis Emerson, D. D., Westfield. 10
Davis Franklin, North Wrentham. 13
Davis Timothy, Kingston. 18
Demond Elijah, East Falmouth. 23
Denham George, Chelsea. 25
Denison, Andrew C., Medford. 28
Dennen Stephen R., Watertown. 21
Dennis Rodney G., Square Vil., Wall, N. J. 27
Dexter Henry M., Boston. 21
Dickerman Lysander, Neponset. 7
Dickinson Erastus, Sudbury. 14
Dickinson Noadiah S., Foxboro'. 13
Diman J. Lewis, Brookline. 21
Dimock Edwin. (Where?) 8
Dodd Stephen G., Spencer. 5
Dodge John, Harvard. 15
Doggett Thomas, Groveland. 6
Dole George T., Lanesboro'. 2
Dow Ezekiel, Haverhill. 28
Dowse Edmund, Sherburne. 14
Drummond James, Springfield. 9
Duncan Abel G., Freetown. 22
Dunham Isaac, Westport. 22
Durfee Calvin, Williamstown. 2
Dwight Edward S., Amherst. 12
Dwight Henry E., Randolph. 16
Dwight John, North Wrentham. 13
Dwinell Israel E., Salem. 7
Dyer E. Porter, Hingham. 16
Dyer Spencer O., Becket. 3
Eastman David, Amherst. 12
Eastman L. Root, Needham. 16
Eddy Zachary, D. D., Northampton. 11
Edgell John Q. A., Andover. 6
Edwards John E., Lancaster. 15
Edwards Henry L., South Abington. 16

Eldridge Azariah, Detroit, Mich. 17
Ely Alfred, D. D., Monson. 9
Emerson Alfred, Fitchburg. 15
Emerson Brown, Westminster. 26
Emerson Brown, D. D., Salem. 7
Emery Joshua, North Weymouth. 16
Esty Isaac, Heath. 8
Farwell Asa, Haverhill. 6
Fay Solomon P., Newton. 28
Felt Joseph B., LL. D., Boston. 28
Field David D., D. D., Stockbridge. 3
Field George W., Boston. 20
Fisher Caleb E., Lawrence. 1
Fisk Frederick A., Newton. 28
Fiske Daniel T., Newburyport. 6
Fitts James H., Boxboro'. 15
Fitz Daniel, Ipswich. 7
Flagg Horatio, Colerain. 8
Fletcher Adin H., Wayland. 14
Fletcher James, North Danvers. 7
Folsom George D. F., Springfield. 9
Foote Calvin, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. 10
Ford George, East Falmouth. 23
Foster Aaron, East Charlemont. 8
Foster Andrew B., Westminster, Vt. 18
Foster Davis, West Newbury. 6
Foster Eden B., Lowell. 1
Foster Roswell, Pittsfield. 2
Foster William C., North Becket. 2
Fowler William C., Amherst. 28
Freeman George E., Manchester. 7
Freeman Joseph, Hanover. 18
Frost Daniel D., West Stockbridge. 3
Furber Daniel L., Newton Centre. 20
Gale Nahum, D. D., Lee. 3
Gale Wakefield, Rockport. 7
Gannet Allen, Lynnfield. 19
Gannett George, Boston. 24, 28
Garrette Edmund Y., Millbury. 27
Gay Ebenezer, Bridgewater. 18
Gilman Edward W., Bangor, Me. 20
Goldsmith Alfred, Groton. 28
Goodsell Dana, East Haven, Ct. 12
Gould William, Lodi, Ill. 17
Graves John L., Boston. 21, 28
Greene Henry S., Ballard Vale. 1
Greene John M., Hatfield. 12
Greene Richard G., Brighton. 21
Greene William B., Needham. 16
Greenwood Alfred, Natick. 28
Griffin Nathaniel H., Williamstown. 2
Gurney John H., New Braintree. 5
Hall Gordon, Northampton. 11
Hall Thomas A., Otis. 3
Hammond Charles, Groton. 15
Hanks Steadman W., Lowell. 1
Harding John W., Longmeadow. 9
Harding Sewall, Boston. 13
Harding Willard M., Quincy. 16
Harlow William, Wrentham. 28
Harrington Eli W., North Beverly. 17, 19
Harrington Moody, Montgomery. 10
Harrison Samuel, Pittsfield. 2
Hartwell John, Leverett. 12
Haskell Ezra, Canton. 28
Haskell John, Raynham. 22
Haskell Thomas N., East Boston. 21
Hatch Roger C., Warwick. 8
Haven John, Charlton. 5
Hawks Roswell, South Hadley. 12
Hawks Theron H., West Springfield. 10
Hayes Stephen H., Weymouth. 16
Hazen Timothy A., Dalton. 2
Headley Phineas C., Greenfield. 8
Healey J. Warren, Walpole. 13
Hebard Frederick, Harwichport. 4
Herbert Charles D., West Newbury. 6
Hinsdale Charles J., Blandford. 10
Hitchcock Calvin, D. D., Wrentham. 13
Hitchcock Edward, D. D., Amherst. 12
Hill George E., Sheffield. 3
Hixon Asa, West Medway. 13
Hoadley L. Ives, Auburn. (?) 25
Hodgman Edwin R., Westford. 15
Holman David, Douglas. 27
Holman Sydney, Holyoke. 27
Holmes Franklin, New York. 22
Holmes Sylvester, New Bedford. 17
Homes Francis, Marblehead. 19
Hooker Henry B., D. D., Boston. 21
Hopkins Mark, D. D., Williamstown. 2
Hopley Samuel, Wellfleet. 4
Hoppin James M., Providence, R. I. 7
Hosford Benjamin F., Haverhill. 6
Hosford Isaac, Worcester. 1
Houghton William A., Berlin. 25
Hovey George L., Greenfield. 8
Howard Hiram L., Pelham. 12
Howard Martin S., South Dartmouth. 17
Howland William W., Conway. 8
Humphrey Heman, D. D., Pittsfield. 2
Hunt Samuel, Franklin. 13
Ide Jacob, D. D., West Medway. 13
Ide Jacob, Jr., Mansfield. 13
Jackson Samuel C., D. D., Andover. 1
Jackson William C., Dunstable. 15
James Horace, Worcester. 25
Jefferds Forest, South Boston. 28
Jenkins Jonathan L., Lowell. 1
Jenks William, D. D., Boston. 28
Jessup Lewis, Millbury. 27
Johnson Amos H., Middleton. 7
Johnson Edwin, Boston. 20
Johnson Joseph B., South Reading. 24
Jones Thomas N., North Reading. 24
Jones Willard, Northfield. 8
Jordan Francis, Springfield. 28
Keep John, Dana. 5
Kellogg Elijah, Boston. 21
Kemp George S., New Salem. 26

Kendall Charles, Petersham. 26
Kendall R—— S., Lenox. 3
Kimball Caleb, Medway. 13
Kimball James, Oakham. 5
Kimball James P , Falmouth. 23
Kimball Moses, Ascutneyville, Vt. 1
Kingman Matthew, Charlemont. 8
Kirk Edward N., D. D., Boston. 21
Kittredge Abbott E., Charlestown. 20
Kittredge Charles B., Monson. 9
Knight Richard, South Hadley Falls. 9
Langworthy Isaac P., Chelsea. 20
Lasell Nathaniel, Amesbury. 6
Laurie Thomas, West Roxbury. 21
Lawrence John, Salem, N. H. 24
Leonard Edwin, Milton. 16
Leonard S—— C., Andover. 1
Leonard William, Scituate. 16
Lincoln Allen, Lynn. 19
Lincoln Isaac N., Williamstown. 2
Little Elbridge G., North Middleboro'. 18
Lombard Otis, New Marlboro'. 3
Longley Moses M., Washington. 2
Loomis Elihu, Littleton. 15
Loomis Henry Jr., Andover. 28
Loomis Wilbur F., Shelburne. 8
Lord Charles, Buckland. 8
Lothrop Charles D., Andover. 22
Luce Leonard, Westford. 15
Lyman George, Sutton. 27
Lyman Solomon, Easthampton. 11
M'Clure Alex. W., D. D , New York.(?) 20
McCollom, James T., Bradford. 6
McEwen Robert, D. D., Enfield. 12
McGinley William A., Shrewsbury. 25
McLoud Anson, Topsfield. 19
Maltby Erastus, Taunton. 22
Mandell William A., Lunenburg. 15
Manning Jacob M., Boston. 20
March Daniel, Woburn. 24
Marsh Dwight W., Mosul, Turkey. 2
Marvin Abijah P., Winchendon. 26
Marvin Elihu P., Medford. 20, 24
Maynard Joshua L., East Douglas. 27
Mead Hiram, South Hadley. 12
Means James, West Lebanon, N. H. 15
Means James H., Dorchester. 16
Means John O., Roxbury. 21
Merrick James L , South Amherst. 12
Merrill James H., Andover. 1
Miles James B., Charlestown. 20
Miller Rodney A., Worcester. 25
Miller Simeon, Holyoke. 10
Miller William, Saundersville. 25
Mills Charles L., North Bridgewater. 16
Mills Cyrus T., Ware. 28
Mills Henry, Granby. 12
Mitchell David M., Roxbury. 28
Moody Eli, Montague. 8
Mooar George, Andover. 1
Moore Erasmus D., Newton. 28
Moore John, Carver. 18
Moore Martin, Boston. 28
Mordough John H., Hamilton. 7
Morgridge Charles, Hyannis. 4
Morley Sardis B., Williamstown.. 22
Morong Thomas, Globe Village. 23
Morse Charles F., Bulgaria, Adrianople. 25
Morse Jason, Brimfield. 5
Morton Alpha, Acton. 15
Munger Theodore T., Milton. 16
Munroe Charles W., East Cambridge. 28
Munroe Nathan, Bradford or Boston. 6
Munsell Joseph R., Harwich. 4
Murphy E—— D., Monson. 28
Murray James O., South Danvers. 7
Myrick Osborne, Provincetown. 4
Nash John A., New York. 12
Nason Elias, Medford. 20
Nelson John, D. D., Leicester. 25
Nevin Edwin H., Edgartown. 17
Noble Edward W., Truro. 4
Northrop Birdsey G., Saxonville. 14
Northrop J—— H., Monticello, N. Y. 20
Norton John F., Athol. 26
Norton T—— S., Dover. 13
Norwood Francis, MAINE. 10
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Allen Benjamin R., Marblehead,	O. S.	Presbytery of	Londonderry.
Beecher Lyman, D. D., Brooklyn, N. Y.,	N. S.	"	Cincinnati.
Bissell Edwin C., Westhampton,	N. S.	"	New York, (3d.)
Brainard Timothy G., Halifax,	O. S.	"	Londonderry.
Campbell Randolph, Newburyport,	O. S.	"	"
Cone Luther H., Chicopee,	N. S.	"	New York, (3d.)
Copp Joseph A., D. D., Chelsea,	O. S.	"	Long Island.
Eldridge Azariah, Detroit, Mich.,	N. S.	"	Detroit.
Headley Phineas C., Greenfield,	N. S.	"	Watertown.
Holmes Sylvester, New Bedford,	N. S.	"	"
Little Elbridge G., North Middleboro',	O. S.	"	Londonderry.
Merrick James L., South Amherst,	O. S.	"	Connecticut.
Northrup J. H., Monticello, N. Y.,	O. S.	"	West Jersey.
Treat Selah B., Boston,	N. S.	"	Newark.

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COLLECTION OF STATISTICS.

1. The Statistical Secretary will place in the hands of the District Statistical Scribes, Dec. 10, 1860, a sufficient number of blank schedules for distribution.

2. Each Statistical Scribe will send, Dec. 20, a blank schedule to each Pastor (or Clerk of a vacant church) within his limits, will receive the answers, follow up delinquents, complete the returns, (requiring the observance of the points specified below,) and send to the Statistical Secretary, as near March 10, 1861, as possible, (1) a table of the returns of the churches, properly arranged and footed up, as in the issue of 1860, (2) a list of all the members of his Association, with residence, occupation, and date of ordination, (3) the times of the meeting of his Association, and (4) the names of its officers. He will also send to the Statistical Secretary, June 1, a list of *all ministerial changes* up to that date.

3. Each Clergyman, (or Clerk of a vacant church,) is requested to report the Statistics of his church for the year 1860 to the Statistical Scribe of his Association on or before Jan. 10, 1861, according to the schedule below, which is furnished for the purpose. The following points ought to be observed :— Write out names *fully*, *correctly*, and *legibly*. "Ordained" refers to the date when the minister was set apart by "the laying on of hands;" "installed," the date of *present* settlement. "Absent" members are those who, habitually, worship or reside away from the church; they are to be included in "males," "females," and "total." "Sabbath School" denotes the entire *membership* of a school at the date of report, including both teachers and scholars, and covering branch schools when under the exclusive charge of the reporting church. The report covers the year 1860, and not a day before or after. Leave *no blanks* whatever; a blank constitutes a defective return. Wherever "none" is the proper designation, write it out *in full*. As the effort already made to secure authenticated dates of church organization, is but partially successful, each pastor (or clerk) whose church date is not printed in italics in the present issue, is requested to ascertain the date from *original sources* and to add to his report the *authority* on which he relies.

It is hoped that the great importance of securing correct and full statistics, (in which our own issues now stand unequalled) will secure a prompt and satisfactory return.

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ALONZO H. QUINT, *Statistical Secretary.*

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